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▶ Michelle Obama talks to the Duchess of Cambridge at Buckingham Palace yesterday in London. Catharine's dress sparked such a rush in demand that the retailer's website crashed, according to the company.

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London, to see the Queen

U.S. President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama traded in Irish charm for the pomp and pageantry of Buckingham Palace yesterday as they opened a two-day state visit to Britain at the invitation of Queen Elizabeth II. Story, pages 18-19.

Bad boys get their gal: Study

But mystique seems to grow stale with age Older women rated shameful male visages as less attractive than younger women

Hey guys, if you're on the prowl, you can drop the nice guy act.

By a wide margin, women really do find bad boys more attractive than their kind and happy counterparts, a new University of British Columbia study says.

"That's very much what we found," says UBC psychologist Jessica Tracy, the lead study author.

The study, which involved about 1,000 people split evenly between men and women, had subjects view pictures of opposite sex individuals displaying expressions of pride, shame, happiness or a neutral demeanour.

The participants were then asked to rate their attractiveness on a scale of one to nine.

For women, Tracy said, a proud physical expression made males most alluring. But close behind, those men who had sagging shouldered shame written large on their faces were given surprisingly high attractiveness ratings.

The study was released yesterday by the American Psychological Association journal Emotion.

While a proud man's attractiveness to women may be easily explained on an evolutionary level, the allure of the bad boy is more elusive, said Tracy, who specializes in physical expressions of emotion.

"Pride conveys high status, strength, power (and) these are all pretty good things to have in a mate," she says.

Bad boys, depicted in the photo arrays with "brooding" expressions, may well elicit a desire in women to both forgive the guy and to fix him up, Tracy said.

When it came to men's perceptions, sexual turn-ons are flipped on their heads, Tracy said.

"For the men … women who show happiness are considered by far the most attractive," she said.

"Women who show pride aren't considered all that attractive."

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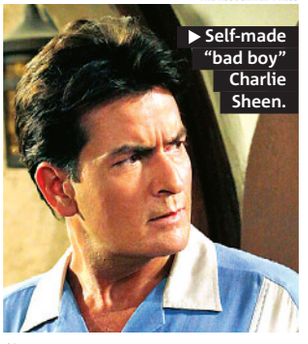

▶ Self-made "bad boy" Charlie Sheen.

"What we didn't expect was that women would find happy men really, really unattractive. And that's exactly what we found. It was the least attractive thing men could show."
PSYCHOLOGIST JESSICA TRACY

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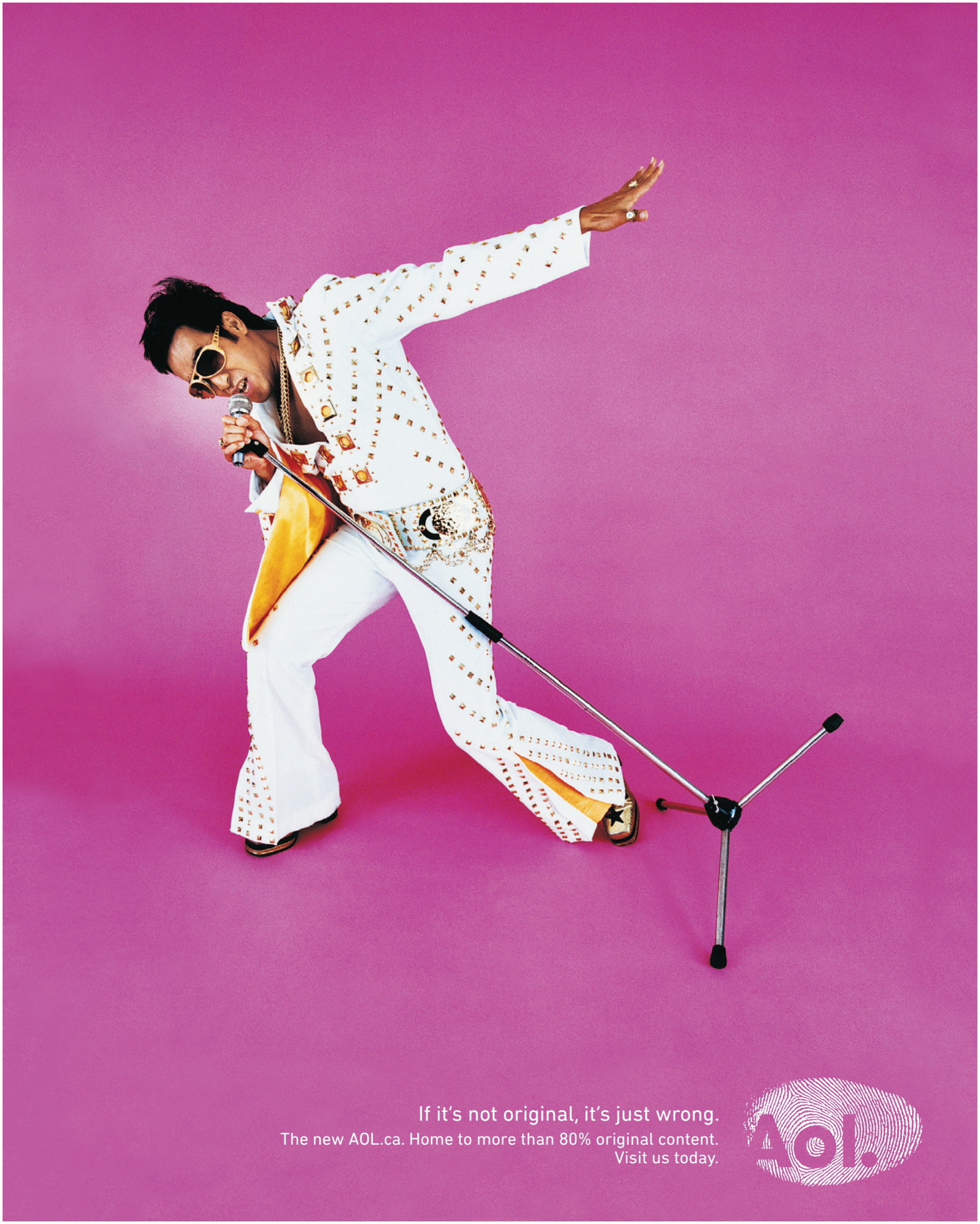
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DNA samples sought in murder probe

Police probing the murder of Orangeville nurse Sonia Varaschin want some of her male friends and acquaintances to provide voluntary inner-cheek swabs for DNA samples.

"The investigators have a list of individuals that they're looking for co-operation from," OPP Const. Peter Leon said yesterday.

Those individuals are all men older than 18 who knew or met Varaschin, who was slain in her Spring Street townhouse in Orangeville last August.

The people will be contacted over the next few days, Leon said.

The testing is voluntary and takes only seconds, he said. "It's very unobtrusive. It's painless. It's sterile."

It's also strictly for use in the Varaschin investigation and information won't be kept by investigators, Leon said.

Police already have DNA from a suspect in her murder, he said.

Varaschin, 42, was reported missing when she didn't show up for work Aug. 30 at a Mississauga pharmaceutical firm.

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HANDOUT

▶ Sonia Varaschin

TCHC repairs to cost $650M

Housing infrastructure tab is up from $200M just two years ago

The repair tab for Toronto's crumbling social housing stock is $650 million and rising quickly, despite an injection of $300 million from the city and other levels of government in recent years.

The tab, provided by Case Ootes, interim managing director for Toronto Community Housing Corp., stunned some executive committee members yesterday before they voted to sell 22 single-family homes.

Two years ago, departing TCHC chief executive Derek Ballantyne put the outstanding repair tab for more than 2,000 buildings at $200 million.

After Ootes spoke, TCHC spokesman Jeffrey Ferrier confirmed the new tab.

"Our buildings are, on average, about 40 years old," he said.

"It's kind of like when your car hits around six or seven years — a lot of building systems start to go, so you start to face a lot of really expensive repairs, and that's what we've been faced with."

$15.7M
For the 22 homes, many rundown but in sought-after neighbourhoods, council will have final say if they will be sold to reap as much as $15.7 million for the repair fund.

The repairs are for "roofs, elevators, boilers, all that stuff," plus smaller problems that plague residents in individual units, he said.

Coun. Cesar Palacio suggested some of the repair funding "was not used for what it was supposed to be used." Ferrier denied that, saying it has just been outstripped by need.

Cliff Martin, a 200 Wellesley Street tenant and former TCHC board member, said he was surprised by the figure — that it was "so low.

"I think it's probably close to $1 billion," he said.

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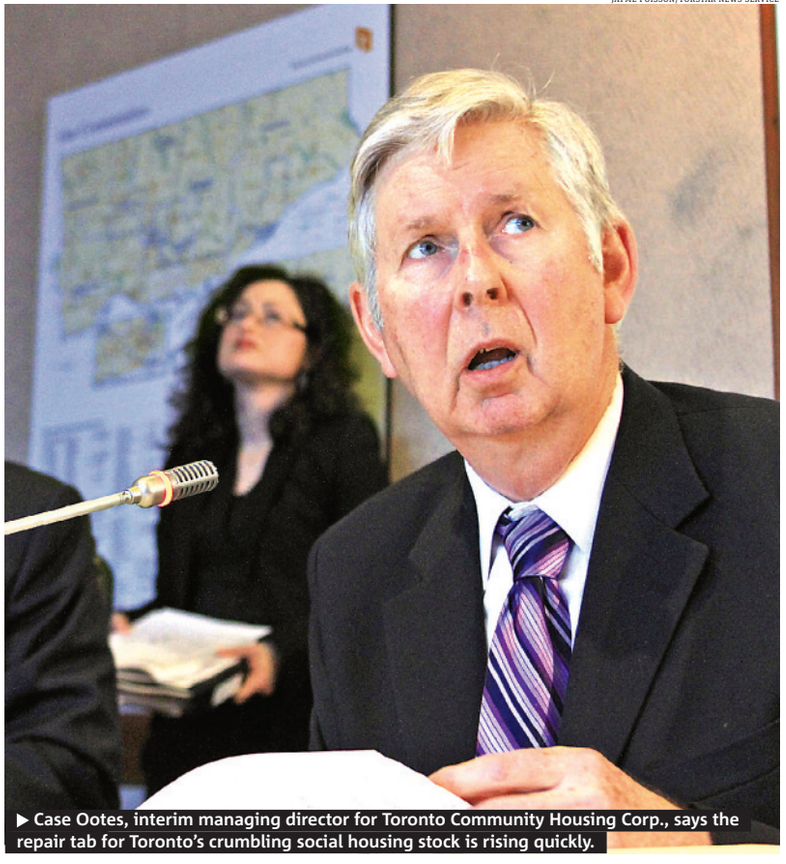

▶ Case Ootes, interim managing director for Toronto Community Housing Corp., says the repair tab for Toronto's crumbling social housing stock is rising quickly.

New lawyer for York U. killing suspect

The man accused of killing a York University student has been remanded into custody after a brief court appearance yesterday, via video link.

Brian Dickson, 29, is charged with first-degree murder in the death of Qian Liu.

Dickson was represented by a new lawyer, Robert Nuttall, who said his client will be pleading not guilty.

"He seems to be holding it together."
DICKSON'S NEW LAWYER, ROBERT NUTTALL

Nuttall said they are still waiting to see what evidence the crown has.

Liu's body was found in her apartment last month.

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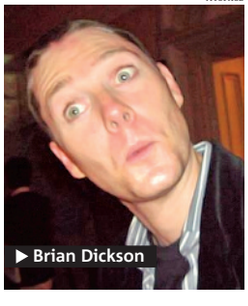

▶ Brian Dickson

News in brief

Police seize loaded handgun

Officers stopped to question a man they deemed suspicious Monday night near Warden and St. Clair avenues.

Police say the man resisted arrest and after a brief scuffle, officers seized a nine-millimetre handgun.

Dayne Sitladeen, 20, was already wanted on a warrant for numerous offences. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Teen boys facing weapons charges

Two teenage boys are each facing four charges after allegedly discharging fireworks at passing vehicles near Sheppard Avenue West and Weston Road. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Parking multiplies along streetcar line

Controversial construction project creates dozens of new parking spots along St. Clair line

A major criticism of the St. Clair streetcar project was that it would destroy street parking along the avenue.

Today, there are 75 more street parking spaces than before.

Coun. Joe Mihevc (Ward 21, St. Paul's) credited the increase to a couple of tweaks in designing the 6.8-kilometre dedicated line from Yonge Street to west of Keele Street.

Moving fire hydrants freed up space to park cars. Pedestrian barriers were installed at streetcar stops, which allowed more cars to park at curbside. A report by city transportation staff says street parking has increased to 375 on-street spots from 300 before construction began six years ago. And the city-owned Toronto Parking Authority has added 61 off-street spaces in new Green P lots.

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▶ Stephanie Recchi prepares to board a streetcar on St. Clair Avenue in June 2010, shortly after construction was completed.

An enemy down the 401

Bangladesh PM visits Oshawa — while father's killer lives in Etobicoke

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has been quietly visiting Oshawa, where her daughter, son-in-law and a gaggle of grandkids live.

Hasina has not accepted any interview requests during her stay and chose not to meet with any Canadian politicians.

"She was just simply, completely on a personal visit," said Azizur Rahman, general secretary of the local branch of Hasina's political party.

But a not-so-simple political thorn exists just down Highway 401.

Nur Chowdhury, the man convicted of assassinating her father — Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Bangladesh's founding father and first president — has lived in an Etobicoke condo since 2005, after fleeing to Canada nine years earlier.

A Bangladeshi court sentenced him to death in 2001, along with 10 co-conspirators. Five have been hanged.

His refugee claims have been rejected here, and he is technically under a deportation order. But Ottawa does not extradite those facing execution, so here he stays.

Hasina met with supporters at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre Sunday night and addressed the Chowdhury issue in her speech, said Azizur Rahman.

"She said we are trying to communicate with the Canadian counterparts to remove him from here"

She was set to fly to France last night.

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▶ Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has been visiting family in Oshawa. The man convicted of killing her father lives down the 401 in Etobicoke.

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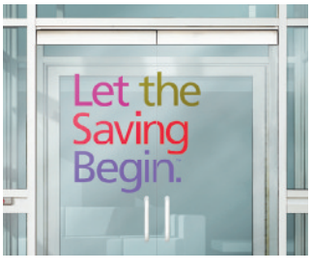

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Falcon chicks call city home

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▶ Cinnamon is held by Meko Misqudis, 9, of Toronto. The Canadian Peregrine Foundation and Ministry of Natural Resources personnel Mark Heaton and Emma Followes banded four baby peregrine falcons yesterday. The chicks live atop the Sheraton Centre and can be watched 24 hours a day on the Internet.

Meet Sunshine, Cinnamon, William and Kate, Toronto's youngest peregrines

In a chorus of squawks, four fluffy falcon chicks were introduced to the city yesterday on the 43rd floor of the Sheraton Centre hotel downtown.

The newest additions to Toronto's growing peregrine population — Sunshine, Cinnamon, William and Kate (yes, our very own royal couple), each a frightened bundle of white down — announced their presence with ceaseless chirping.

"They're magnificent," said Joyce Miller, who made the trip from Rochester, N.Y., to see the newborns.

The baby peregrine falcons, or eyasses, are the progeny of Ria-May and Tiago, the Sheraton's rooftop couple. Ria-May was born in Rochester, while Tiago is a local boy.

The chicks, all born in the last three weeks, were banded — fitted with tiny anklets that allow both the U.S. and Canadian wildlife services to monitor them — by Ontario's Ministry of Natural Resources, with help from the Canadian Peregrine Foundation.

"It's like a SIN card," said foundation director Mark Nash, adding the ankle bands do not harm or inconvenience the birds.

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Environment

▶ **Thrive** While the downtown core may seem a perilous place for the birds, they in fact thrive in urban environments. A skyscraper ledge acts as a cliffside perch and unsuspecting pigeons provide ample nourishment.

Bringing attention to abuse

Linda Beaudoin was outside the Napanee courthouse the day Randy Miller pleaded guilty to child pornography charges in April.

The Brampton woman has been there for his every court appearance and will also be there when Miller is sentenced next week.

Her goal is to bring attention to child abuse, said Beaudoin, adding it is especially important in cases where children's entertainers like clowns or magicians are involved.

Miller was a well-known children's entertainer — a clown — for more than 20 years and worked at private parties, fairs and festivals.

Beaudoin is spearheading a campaign for legislation that will make it mandatory for anyone working as a children's entertainer — Santa, clown or Easter bunny — to be given a criminal background check and be required to have a licence to make sure they are safe to work with children.

"Exotic dancers need a permit, so do massage therapists," Beaudoin said in an interview. "So why not children's entertainers?"

She has been pushing for this legislation for more than a decade. In November, MPP Vic Dhillon tabled several petitions Beaudoin had collected at Queen's Park.

Beaudoin said she received a reply from Jim Bradley, the minister of community safety, saying that requiring background checks is up to those individuals who hire children's entertainers.

"I'm in the process of collecting more petitions and I plan to take them to Queen's Park again."

The City of Toronto is exploring the issue.

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Motivation

▶ **Zeal** Linda Beaudoin's zeal for children's safety is not tough to understand — the Ottawa-born woman says she was abused as a child and left home at 15.

▶ **Clown** She has worked as a clown and entertained children. That's when it hit her that no one checked her background. Children's entertainers go into homes, she said.

KEITH BEATY/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

▶ Linda Beaudoin is a one-person force trying to bring legislation that would force children's entertainers to have regular criminal background checks and licences.

Alleged dog killer's identity revealed

Durham Regional police have released the name of a man accused of shooting and killing four dogs with a rifle inside his home Sunday.

Joe Tucker, 25, of Orono, was arrested after his housemates phoned police around 12:30 p.m. Officials found the dead animals and rifle at the home, said Sgt. Dave Selby.

Eleven puppies, an adult dog, and other animals were taken to an area shelter from the Taunton Road house.

Tucker phoned in to Durham Radio News yesterday morning to say the dogs had become ill with a painful disease, and that he could not afford to pay the necessary veterinary bills.

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STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

▶ John Magno

Arson accused complained of 'screw up,' trial told

The co-owner of a building supplies store that exploded during a botched arson later complained that someone "screwed up," and said his co-accused should keep their mouths shut, court has heard.

John Magno, 53, has pleaded not guilty to second-degree murder, conspiracy to commit arson, arson causing bodily harm and arson fraud.

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PM to phase out party subsidies

- Per-vote funding expected to hit Liberals hardest
- Introduced in 2004 to compensate for donation limits

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▶ Stephen Harper

Scrapping public subsidies of federal political parties will be a key plank of the Conservatives' revised budget, which will be unveiled June 6 on Parliament Hill, according to the Toronto Star.

Stephen Harper's government intends to move fast on its election vow to end the $2-per-vote annual subsidy, which pumps $27 million per year into party coffers.

However, sources say Harper will also make good on his campaign pledge to phase in the cut over three years. In their platform, the Conservatives proposed cutting the subsidy first to $1.50, then $1 and then 50 cents before ending it altogether.

While the move sits well with the Conservatives, who excel at grassroots fundraising, eliminating the subsidy could put the existence of the Bloc Québécois and Green party at risk and cause serious financial problems for the diminished Liberals.

The Conservatives tried to abolish the subsidy in the fall of 2008, sparking an opposition revolt that nearly toppled their minority government. The move is sure to spark opposition again, but this time the Conservatives have the majority to ensure its demise.

Liberal MP Marc Garneau, who is running for the interim Liberal leader's job, said his party recognizes the financial blow is going to hurt.

"It's going to hit us hard," he said. "We will be faced with a reality, not just the threat."

Liberals will, however, press for an increase in individual donation limits if Conservatives do end the subsidy, he said.

"If individuals want to give more than the $1,100, that's something that should be discussed," he said.

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Richelieu. Rampage

▶ Residents make their way along a flooded street in St-Paul-de-l'Ile-aux-Noix, Que., yesterday as water levels in the Richelieu River rose to a historic high.

GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Come hell and high water

Hundreds of troops moved into the Monteregie region of southwest Quebec yesterday, as flooding continued on the Richelieu River. More than 3,000 homes have been devastated and 1,000 evacuated since the water began to rise more than one month ago.

26 **The number of deaths in 2009 is one-third that of the peak year for traffic fatalities — 1973 — when 6,706 people died. Over the past decade, annual road fatalities have dropped 26 per cent.**

Road deaths down

The annual death toll on Canadian roads has fallen to its lowest level since 1965. New Transport Canada statistics show the number of people who died in traffic collisions declined to 2,209 people in 2009, a drop of 8.7 per cent from 2008. It's the fourth consecutive year fatalities have fallen despite more licensed drivers and vehicles on the road. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Liberal rally hopes to upstage 'rookie' Hudak

The provincial Liberals hope to show up Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak's pre-election convention with a huge campaign rally Sunday.

The Liberals will gather party faithful at Woodbridge Memorial Arena in Vaughan about one hour after Hudak's weekend confab wraps up.

"I didn't know that the Tories were having a convention — are they having a convention?" Liberal campaign chair Greg Sorbara quipped yesterday.

"Look, its main purpose is training, showcasing candidates and … having a little bit of a rally at the end," he said.

Sorbara said that, like Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservatives, Premier Dalton McGuinty's Liberals are unafraid to run on their record in the Oct. 6 vote.

"One of the things that we learned from the federal campaign is that Mr. Harper's government was very, very well-prepared," said the Vaughan MPP and key architect of McGuinty's 2003 and 2007 wins.

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▶ Premier Dalton McGuinty is not afraid to run on his government's record, campaign chair Greg Sorbora says.

One Liberal insider called the 2 p.m. rally "the campaign kickoff" and said hundreds of Grits will be in attendance, eager to show up Hudak, who is hosting 1,300 delegates at his convention at the Toronto Congress Centre.

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Joplin rescuers race to find survivors

More storms threaten city hit by tornado At least 122 dead

Emergency crews drilled through concrete at a ruined Home Depot, making peepholes in the rubble in hopes of finding lost shoppers and employees.

A dog clambered through the shattered remains of a house, sniffing for any sign of the woman and infant who lived there.

Across the devastated city of Joplin, Mo., searchers moved from one enormous debris pile to another yesterday, racing to respond to any report of a possible survivor.

As the death toll in Joplin rose to at least 122, another line of severe thunderstorms spawned tornadoes in Oklahoma and Kansas that killed at least six people.

Nine survivors had been pulled from the aftermath in Missouri, and searchers fought the clock because anybody still alive after the deadliest single tornado in 60 years was losing precious strength two days after the disaster.

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▶ Damon Garrett and his wife, Tabatha, sit by the ruins of their home in Joplin, Mo. They're alive — but they had no homeowners insurance.

NATO air strikes pound Gadhafi stronghold

NATO launched its most intense bombardment yet against Moammar Gadhafi's stronghold of Tripoli yesterday.

The air strikes came in rapid succession within a half-hour time span.

They set off more than 20 explosions.

Dense plumes of acrid-smelling smoke spiralled from an area around Gadhafi's sprawling Bab al-Aziziya compound in central Tripoli.

NATO said precision-guided weapons hit a vehicle storage facility adjacent to Bab al-Aziziya that has been used to supply regime forces "conducting attacks on civilians."

At the Tripoli Central Hospital, the bodies of three men in their 20s lay on stretchers, their clothing ripped and their faces partially blown away.

Nurse Ahmad Shara said the men were standing outside their homes when they were killed, presumably by shrapnel.

"We thought it was the day of judgment," said Fathallah Salem, a 45-year-old contractor who rushed his 75-year-old mother to the hospital after she fainted and suffered shock.

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▶ Smoke soars yesterday after a NATO air raid near Tripoli.

Welcoming arms

- A U.S. envoy said U.S. President Barack Obama has invited the Libyan rebels' National Transitional Council to open an office in Washington, but stopped short of recognition.
- Several other countries, including France and Italy, have recognized the rebel administration.

Battles create a no man's land

Fighters from Yemen's most powerful tribes fired on government buildings and soldiers retaliated with intense shelling yesterday, killing 38.

An uprising against President Ali Abdullah Saleh threatened to become a militia-led revolt after street protests and Arab mediation failed.

The heart of Yemen's capital, Sanaa, was turned into a no man's land.

As the toll mounted, Saleh called for a ceasefire.

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▶ Fear shows in the faces of children whose home was hit yesterday.

Volcano ash halts flights

Ash spewing from an Icelandic volcano is bringing disruption and days of uncertainty to more parts of Europe, as officials in Germany said dozens of flights will be grounded today. Hundreds of flights were cancelled yesterday as winds blew the cloud of ash from the Grimsvotn volcano over Scotland and other parts of Europe.

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Health warning for pregnant women

Consumer Reports magazine warns some sunscreen brands contain an ingredient linked to birth defects

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▶ Some sunscreen ingredients could increase the risk of birth defects, says Consumer Reports.

Sunscreens to screen

Brands pregnant women may want to avoid include:

- Banana Boat Sport Performance SPF 30
- Coppertone Sport Ultra Sweatproof SPF 30
- Hawaiian Tropic Island Sport SPF 30
- No-Ad with Aloe and Vitamin E SPF 45
- Neutrogena Ultra Sheer Body Mist SPF 45
- Banana Boat Sport Performance SPF 100
- Neutrogena Sensitive Skin SPF 60

Pregnant women may want to avoid using some sunscreens, warns Consumer Reports magazine.

Some sunscreens contain retinyl palmitate, an ingredient that could increase the risk of birth defects. It's a topical form of vitamin A the skin converts to retinoids, says the magazine. And those compounds, which are also found in certain acne medications, have been linked to an increased risk of birth defects.

When checking labels, note that the ingredient is sometimes spelled retinol palmitate and has several synonyms, including vitamin A palmitate and retinol hexadecanoate.

Almost every sunscreen tested by the consumer product magazine contains some chemical associated with adverse health effects in animal studies. They include oxybenzone, which might interfere with hormones in the body, and nano-sized ingredients, which are potentially linked to reproductive and developmental problems.

Nevertheless, the proven benefits of sunscreen outweigh any potential harm from the ingredients, the magazine says.

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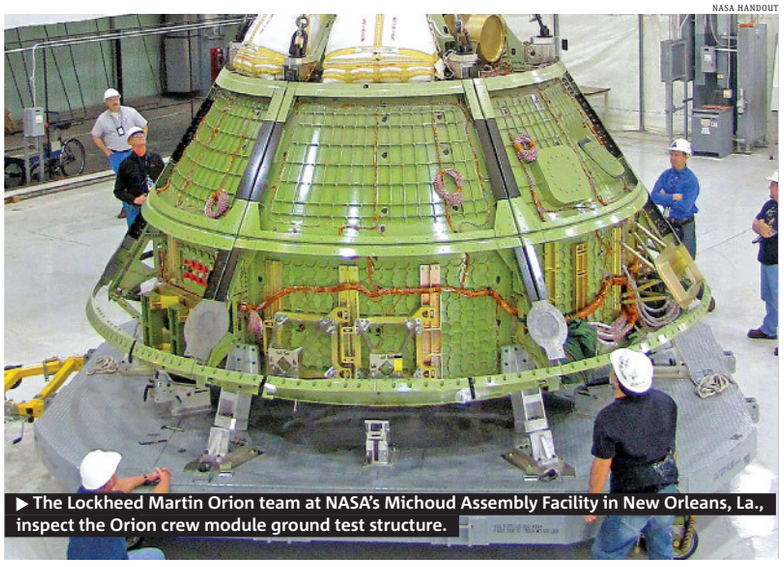

▶ The Lockheed Martin Orion team at NASA's Michoud Assembly Facility in New Orleans, La., inspect the Orion crew module ground test structure.

NASA picks new name and place for spacecraft

Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle to take four astronauts on 21-day missions ◐ Will travel beyond Earth's orbit

NASA has unveiled a new look and name for its previously planned moon capsule.

The crew capsule named Orion was a cornerstone of former U.S. president George W. Bush's plan to return astronauts to the moon. A year ago, U.S. President Barack Obama scrapped the moon mission but saved Orion — possibly for an escape pod at the International Space Station.

Yesterday's announcement gives the spacecraft a new name — the Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle. NASA says the capsule will carry four astronauts on 21-day missions and will be able to land in the Pacific Ocean.

Its destination would be beyond Earth's orbit, perhaps to an asteroid.

Still in development is a giant rocket that would send the capsule away from Earth.

Meanwhile, Spirit, the scrappy robot geologist that captivated the world with its antics on Mars before getting stuck in a sand trap, is about to meet its end after six productive years. It has been incommunicado for more than a year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FEMALE DRIVING BAN

More Saudi women take the wheel

International and local rights groups lashed out yesterday at the arrest of a Saudi woman for defying the kingdom's female driving ban, while other Saudi women posted video online showing themselves behind the wheel.

Having so far escaped the unrest sweeping the region, Saudi rulers have cracked down harder than usual on 32-year-old Manal al-Sherif after seeing her case become a rallying call for youths anxious for change.

Al-Sherif was arrested Sunday after a video clip was posted online of her much-publicized drive last week — part of an effort to bring attention to the Facebook and Twitter campaigns she helped organize to encourage women across Saudi Arabia to protest against the driving ban. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Plane maker not to blame for pitcher's crash: Jury

A Minnesota airplane manufacturer isn't responsible for the deaths of former Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Cory Lidle and his flight instructor, who were killed when their small plane crashed into a Manhattan, N.Y., apartment building, a jury concluded yesterday.

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Brazil considers easing forest law

Amazon deforestation last year dropped to slowest pace in 22 years Trees felled in March, April were nearly six times more than in same period last year

A proposal to help farmers and ranchers in Brazil's vast Amazon rainforest is alarming environmental groups, who say it will speed destruction of the world's biggest natural defence against global warming.

The measure, which was being debated yesterday in Brazil's Congress, would loosen restrictions on the amount of forested areas that can be legally cut and grant an amnesty to those who illegally felled trees before July 2008. It also would also reduce the strip along rivers that cannot be touched and would allow farmers to use hilltops.

Environmentalists say those changes would lead to flooding, silty rivers and erosion and say the full package would inflict severe damage on the rainforest that absorbs the greenhouse gas carbon dioxide.

About 20 per cent of the Brazilian rainforest already has been destroyed, and 75 per cent of Brazil's greenhouse gas emissions are estimated to come from forest clearing as vegetation burns and felled trees rot.

Farmers, though, feel betrayed by the tough rules imposed in the late 1990s. Two decades earlier, Brazil's military dictatorship, seeking to speed development, had encouraged them to enter the Amazon, offering them free land if they would clear up to 50 per cent of their land of trees.

80% Landowners in the Amazon must now maintain standing forest on 80 per cent of their property.

Congressman Aldo Rebelo's bill would remove or sharply drop that limit for farmers and ranchers who have no more than 990 acres of land. Backers say the amnesty is justified because many farmers had cut trees well before the tighter limits were imposed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Demonstrators parade next to a 15-metre balloon in the shape of a domestic water filter during a protest in Sao Paulo against proposed changes to Brazil's Forest Code, which protects deforestation of the Amazon.

Farmers at risk, says congressman

Environmentalists and farmers alike say Brazil's government is unable to adequately patrol the vast and inhospitable Amazon region to enforce the laws in any consistent manner.

Congressman Aldo Rebelo, who introduced the new measure, said the current law makes it impossible for farmers to make a living and said nearly nobody now complies with it.

"Our concern is with the environment, but also with the situation of the farmers in our country," he said.

Brazil's agricultural industry says the environmental laws keep the nation from meeting its economic potential. The country is the world's No. 2 producer of agricultural products while using just one-third of its arable land and farmers say they could easily surpass the U.S. if they were not shackled by the laws. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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U.S. President Barack Obama meets with Queen at Buckingham Palace to kick off his state visit

In lavish style, U.S. President Barack Obama and Queen Elizabeth II affirmed a bond between the United States and the United Kingdom that has strengthened through the sacrifice of war and a history of common values. As the Queen put it, the relationship is "tried, tested and, yes, special."

For his part, Obama, dressed in white-tie tuxedo for a glitzy dinner at Buckingham Palace, said in a toast the relationship "never rests."

"We can have confidence in the partnership that our two countries share, based on the rock-solid foundation built during Queen Elizabeth's lifetime of extraordinary service to the nation and to the world," Obama said at a dinner in which White House staffers mixed with U.S. movie stars and British royalty.

Obama immersed himself in grandeur yesterday as the Queen welcomed him to Buckingham Palace for the first day of a state visit that kept the U.S. president largely out of sight for most of the British public.

There was an elaborate arrival ceremony on the steps of the palace's West Terrace, complete with a 41-gun salute.

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Duchess dress

- The new Duchess of Cambridge, Kate Middleton, wore a sand-coloured dress by the British label Reiss.
- Her appearance sparked such a rush in demand for the above-the-knee sheath, with a retail price of $340 US, that the retailer's website traffic increased by more than 300 per cent, resulting in several crashes throughout the day, according to the company.

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▶ U.S. President Barack Obama and his wife, Michelle Obama, meet yesterday with Britain's Prince William and Kate, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, at Buckingham Palace.

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Watchdog slams Canada over lax anti-bribery laws

Only one company convicted of foreign bribery in the past decade $25,000 fine less than bribe involved

Canada has again been singled out for failing to enforce anti-bribery rules abroad by an international report that points the finger at Prime Minister Stephen Harper's lack of commitment.

"Canada is the only G7 country in the little or no enforcement category, and has been in this category since the first edition of this report in 2005," Transparency International said.

The watchdog group ranks Canada with other laggards such as Bulgaria, Estonia, Greece and Slovenia, but also Australia, New Zealand and Israel.

The report states that "the principal cause of lagging enforcement is lack of political commitment by government leaders."

Canada, which accounts for 2.5 per cent of global exports, is by far the largest exporter among the 21 countries Transparency International cites for failing to live up to their signatures under a 1997 OECD anti-bribery convention.

Transparency International says the "Canadian legal system and courts do not handle complex white-collar criminal cases well."

It cites the "inadequacy" of an RCMP anti-corruption unit that has only 14 officers who also handle non-bribery issues.

It says Canada has failed to base its anti-bribery law on the jurisdiction of nationality — which would ensure any Canadian anywhere is subject to the law, the way Canada treats crimes such as terrorism and sex tourism.

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Report

Transparency International's seventh annual report laments a lack of overall movement among the 38 signatories to the OECD anti-bribery convention more than a decade after it was adopted.

- It worries that even the global leaders in enforcing anti-bribery laws, such as Germany and the United States, will be dragged down by the lowest common denominators.

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▶ Arkady Volozh, CEO of Yandex, celebrates yesterday's initial public offering at the Nasdaq MarketSite in New York. Yandex is Russia's most-visited website.

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Russian search engine takes off

Shares in Russian Internet search company Yandex climbed 30 per cent in its market debut after the company raised $1.3 billion US in an initial public offering. That's the most raised in the U.S. since Google Inc. went public in 2004, according to IPO research and investment fund Renaissance Capital.

Market moment

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JUST SAYIN' ...

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You would think Harold Camping would know when to shut up already.

Camping is the 89-year-old evangelist from Oakland, Calif., who managed to convince a lot of gullible people that the world was coming to an end Saturday (and it would have spoiled a long weekend, too).

Then, as Saturday dawned on Business as Usual, Camping compounded his cuckoo quotient by claiming it was a mathematical error and the real end of the world is still coming Oct. 21.

Those people who sold all their worldly possessions to prepare for Apocalypse Now are stuck and will have to make it until Oct. 21 with just the clothes on their backs until they are saved, or taken up, or whatever.

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Still, it's hard to blame Camping. He's a fire and brimstone evangelist who predicts the end of the world. It comes with the job description. When you're a hammer, everything looks like a nail. When you're a doomsayer, everything looks like doom.

And we in the media are complicit, promoting Camping's Grand Delusion with unseemly glee, lending credence to an old man's lunatic ravings.

As a story, it's been just too much fun to pass up. And I'm sure I wasn't alone as I opened my eyes Saturday morning and looked around with just a touch of smug relief.

Still here.

Cautionary note: Just because it's a bunch of baloney doesn't mean it's not going to happen. Stars explode every day; asteroids plow into planets. And come Oct. 21, we could be the victims of a cataclysmic coincidence, and there is Camping saying "I told you so" as he gets taken up. "Next time, you'll listen. Oops, my bad. There is no next time."

The truth is (and I can't believe I need to say this) whatever does or does not happen to the world Oct. 21 will have nothing to do with some old guy from Oakland. There are 170-billion galaxies in the known universe and each galaxy has between 200-billion and 400-billion stars. It's more than a little difficult to believe that God will point a big old finger at the tiny third planet circling around one of those 400-billion stars and say "That's it, folks. Rapture time!" She is simply too busy to correct Harold Camping's bad math.

Hallelujah, I say.

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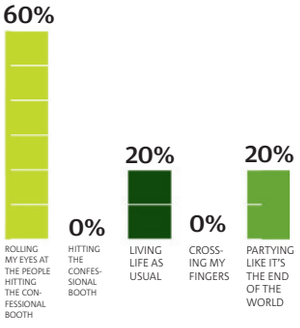
How did you spend May 21, the prophesied date of the beginning of the Apocalypse?



Local tweets

- **@edthesock:** Preacher "felt terrible" when the end of the world didn't happen and billions didn't suffer. Truly this is a man of God.
- **@kevin_mcgran:** I see the doomsday preacher says he got date wrong, and now says rapture in october. What's the globe saying re: thrashers?
- **@joebarnett:** First sign the #Rapture really has started: Duke Nukem Forever goes "gold" and is actually coming out (after 15 years of development)
- **@fueladvertising:** Harold Camping spent $100M on his May 21 Rapture ad campaign — Now that's #falseadvertising
- **@breeynmccarney:** Harold Camping — fool people once, yadda yadda yadda. This third time's a charm thing can't possibly fly. Can it? <sigh>
- **@brittannyv_:** Eventually I am going to purchase all seasons of @oprah and watch every episode over and over! #lifelonggoal
- **@glorbella:** So sad to see Oprah go! So sad to see a role model go off the air when more should be on it.

Worth mentioning

ASUNCION, Paraguay. The Asuncion zoo is desperately seeking a mate for Coco, the last known male of his species left in Paraguay.

Coco is an endangered hyacinth macaw, known in Paraguayan Spanish as a "papagayo azul." Scientists estimated several years ago that only 6,500 were left in the wild, mostly in an area of neighbouring Brazil that is quickly losing natural habitat for the birds.

Capturing and exporting the Macaws is illegal and Coco was sent to the zoo eight years ago after authorities broke up a gang of animal traffickers. Only recently did a DNA test show he is male, zoo veterinarian Cristiane Rainner said.

To avoid mixing species, the zoo has had to keep him apart from other Macaws, which has left him lonely and a bit bored, Rainner said.

"He's quite sociable, although he's only learned to say 'hello.' But when he hears the cumbia he dances," Rainner said. "The hyacinth macaw is a beauty, but if it doesn't reproduce, that'll be it. Coco is a male and his life expectancy is 80 years."

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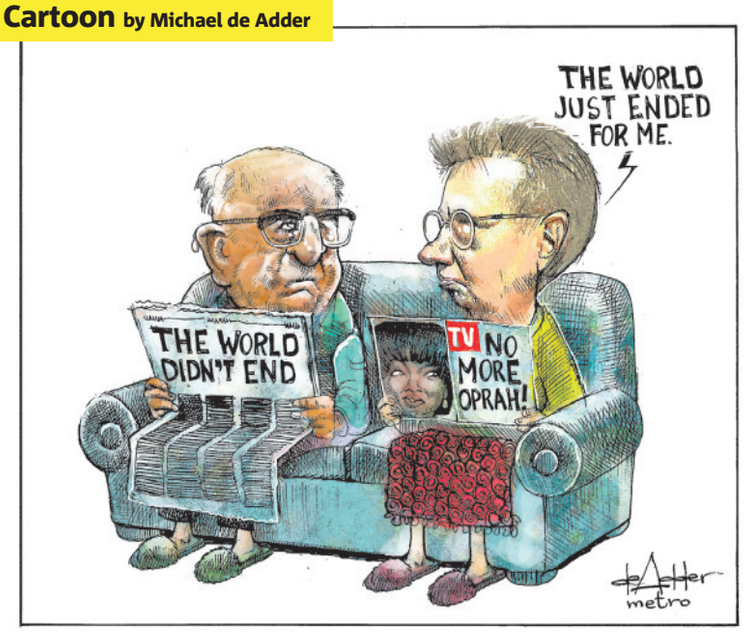

WEIRD NEWS

Stealth chopper at night is optional

The official tourist map for Abbottabad, Pakistan, urges visitors to discover its "hidden" treasures. Some think that should include a peek behind the infamous walls of Osama bin Laden's compound.

It makes sense to the deputy head of the tourism office. The three-storey villa is known around the world. Abbottabad is already popular as an alpine escape from the summer heat. And a museum at the last stand of the al-Qaida leader could mine some long-term cash from the town's instant brush with notoriety.

It's not a universal view by any stretch. Many want to demolish the building to try to recapture Abbottabad's ambiance as a quiet corner in a chaotic country.

But those contemplating some way to profit from the May 2 raid that killed bin Laden seem to know there is a well-established market for infamy. The Tower of London — and its sometimes role as a prison and execution hall — is one of the city's main tourist draws. Tours abound for everything from Hollywood tragedies to the trail of the Boston Strangler.

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The highs and lows of O

Oprah Winfrey's last show airs today so what better time to look back at her TV career

And it was good...
Super-Oprah comes into the world on January 29, 1954 in Kosciusko, Mississippi.

Oprah gets her start, meets Gayle
After three years of anchor news reporting, in 1976, Winfrey hosts the six o'clock news at Baltimore's WJZ-TV, where she meets future bestie-for-life, Gayle King, who was working there as a production assistant.

The Color Purple
Winfrey stars as Sofia in Steven Spielberg's The Color Purple in 1985 and scores a Best Supporting Actress nod by the Academy Awards.

The big break
Since her move to Chicago in 1983, Winfrey was hosting localized version of what was to become The Oprah Winfrey Show, which first nationally broadcast on September 8th, 1986.

The Emmys
In 1987, Winfrey receives her first of more than 45 Daytime Emmy Awards that she would collect before removing the show from consideration in 2000.

The weight struggles
Winfrey starts what would become a 20-plus year public discussion about her weight fluctuation with the Diet Dreams Come True episode of November 15, 1988, in which she is a slim size 10.

The engagement that would last a lifetime
In 1992, Oprah Winfrey gets engaged to businessman Stedman Graham — whom she has yet to actually marry.

The Queen of Daytime and the King of Pop
In 1993, it was only Winfrey who could get the pale Michael Jackson to explain that he had not bleached his skin, but that he had skin-pigment disorder known as vitiligo. This was to become one of her highest rated episodes, with 62 million viewers watching.

The Oprah Book Club
Oprah Winfrey launches her book club in 1996. More than 60 selections have instantaneously earned a lucky author boatloads of money and an immediate spot on the New York Times' Best Seller List.

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Forming an empire and defending free speech
In 1998, Winfrey forms Oxygen Media, which would spawn the Oxygen cable channel. In the same year, she wins a "food disparagement" case against Texas cattlemen after her comments in a 1996 episode about Mad Cow Disease.

Let the lifestyling begin
Winfrey expands her reach with O Magazine, which offers advice on personal finance, fitness and spiritual wellness.

Paging Dr. Phil
Winfrey may be leaving but her self-help posse remains: Dr. Phil debuted in 2002, Rachael Ray in 2006, The Dr. Oz Show in 2009 and The Nate Berkus Show just last year.

"You get a car!"
On September 12, 2004, Winfrey shocked the audience: Each one of those lucky, well-deserving, loyal jerks got a Pontiac G6 — 276 in all.In November 2010, she gave away VW Beetles.

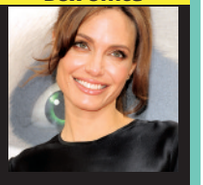
Tom Cruise gets excited talking about Katie Holmes
Remember May 23, 2005? According to the Urban Dictionary "jump the couch" is "a defining moment when you know someone has gone off the deep end."

Opens school in South Africa
The Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls debuts in January 2, 2007, lauded by humanitarians, and nearly overshadowed when a female employee is later accused of molestation.

Denies being gay
After years of dogged rumours about her sexuality, and questions about her relationship with friend Gayle King, Winfrey opens up to Barbara Walters in December 2010. "I'm not lesbian. I'm not even kind of lesbian," she said, soon tearing up while praising King. "She is … the mother I never had. She is … the sister everybody would want."

Launches OWN network
On January 1, 2001, an entire network launches devoted to Winfrey's self-help philosophy. The buzz is high but the ratings soon drop, and Winfrey vows to focus more on the programming when her syndicated show ends. MWN

Box office



With its themes of adoption and family, Kung Fu Panda 2 was a big hit in the Jolie-Pitt household — and not just because Angelia Jolie is one of the stars of the film. Jolie says her kids connected to the story of Jolie's character, Tigress, who is shown in an orphanage. Co-star Jack Black, who has two children of his own, says they didn't quite get their dad's relationship to the giant panda on screen. "My boys don't know that I am the panda. I try to explain to them: I am the voice," he said. "They are like, 'No. The panda is the panda and you are Da-da.'"
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DRUNKS FLOURISH ON THE SILVER SCREEN

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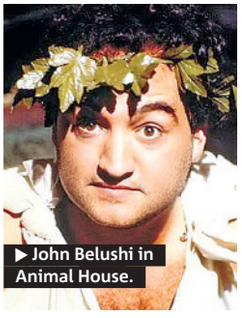
Hollywood loves a drunk. Not the self destructive drink-themselves-to-death kind, although Nicholas Cage won an Oscar for playing one of those in Leaving Las Vegas, but the playfully befuddled drinker whose behaviour provides the setup for some intoxicating comedy.

W.C. Fields, who once said, "I drink therefore I am," made a career of playing silly souses and this weekend Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms and Zach Galifianakis are under the influence again in The Hangover Part II.

From John Belushi as Animal House's boozy beast Blutarsky, who downs an entire bottle of Jack Daniels in one megagulp to Karen Allen, who drinks her way out of a sticky situation in Raiders of the Lost Ark, the movie's best boozers have been a varied group.



▶ John Belushi in Animal House.

There's the happy drunk, a smashed stereotype best personified by Dudley Moore in Arthur. Rarely sober, the character stumbles through life with the aid of his loyal butler and bottles of champagne. When his fiancée Susan (Jill Eikenberry) tells him that "a real woman could stop you from drinking," he replies, "It'd have to be a real BIG woman."

If Moore was most loveable, then Billy Bob Thornton's Bad Santa con man in is the least likeable. As a mall Santa who only takes the job to rob the place on Christmas Eve, he drinks, destroys a holiday display and scars an entire crowd of children. Drunk movie moments abound although the sight of a wobbly Santa Claus in a back alley swigging from a flask is the most indelible.

Jeff Bridges has played a variety of drunks in his day, most recently in True Grit and Crazy Heart, but his best known drinker is Jeffrey (The Dude) Lebowski who singlehandedly repopularized the white Russian. As laid-back party monster he drinks nine white Russians during the course of the movie.

Of course Hollywood occasionally uncorks a serious look at drinkers. Ray Milland showed the destructive side of boozing in The Lost Weekend, ditto Barfly's Mickey Rourke, but few have brought as much boozy beauty to a role than Elizabeth Taylor as the cantankerous Martha in Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf.

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A familiar rendition: like father, like son

Lukas Nelson paving his own road into country music but he is still standing in his famous father's shadow Lukas now touring with dad

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▶ Musician Lukas Nelson performs onstage during 2011 Stagecoach: California's Country Music Festival at the Empire Polo Club.

Lukas Nelson clearly remembers the conversation that launched him on the path to playing guitar for a living.

Nelson was 10 or 11 and his father, Willie, was showing him a few things on the guitar. The son asked his father what he'd like for his upcoming birthday and the answer changed Lukas Nelson's life.

"He said, 'I want you to learn how to really play guitar,'" Lukas Nelson remembered. "I said, 'OK,' and I did. I fell in love with it."

Lukas Nelson threw himself into learning the guitar and his progress will be on display this summer when he joins his famous father and a host of rising country music stars on the Country Throwdown Tour. Willie Nelson headlines the travelling festival that kicks off Friday in Philadelphia.

"I'm looking really forward to it. We have a lot of fun together and I'm so proud of him that he's doing so good."
WILLIE NELSON ON HIS SON'S RISE TO FAME

Jamey Johnson, Randy Houser, Lee Brice and Brantley Gilbert among others will join the Nelsons on the 25-city tour. And while the iconic Country Music Hall of Famer is looking forward to seeing those guys, he's really excited to spend the summer touring with his son. No offence.

"Oh, I can't wait," Willie Nelson said. "I'm looking really forward to it. We have a lot of fun together and I'm so proud of him that he's doing so good. Whenever we're on shows together I want him to come back and play, him and his whole band, and we just set up and jam for a couple of hours."

Lukas Nelson released his first self-titled album with his band, Promise of the Real, last year and expects to play 250 or more shows in 2011. There are times when he looks, sounds and plays like his dad, but the 22-year-old guitarist is clearly attempting to cut his own path.

The album is filled with rock 'n' roll, from flaming electric Texas blues rock to spacey and spiritual psychedelia. He covers deep influences Neil Young and Jimi Hendrix on the album and at times sounds more like the offspring of Stevie Ray Vaughn than the heir of the Nelson clan.

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Shriver had to be talked 'off the ledge'

Schwarzenegger's wife wanted to hold embarrassing press conference

Maria Shriver was reportedly so enraged after learning about Arnold Schwarzenegger's illegitimate child that she instructed her team to leak word of it to the press, according to TMZ.

And apparently Shriver initially wanted to hold a press conference to unveil the scandal, but, "Maria's friends talked her off a ledge and a plan was eventually hatched to leak the details to the L.A. Times and TMZ," a source says.

Shriver reportedly didn't learn about the full extent of her husband's indiscretions until late April or early May, days before the news went public.

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▶ Maria Shriver

Taking January down a notch

January Jones may have called Zach Galifianakis the funniest man she's ever met, but as Galifianakis tells it, she wasn't quite as friendly during their first meeting.

"I sit at her table and talk for 10 minutes, and she goes, 'I think it's time for you to leave now,'" Galifiankakis tells ShortList.

"So I say, 'January, you are an actress in a show and everybody's going to forget about you in a few years, so f--ing be nice,' and I got up and left."

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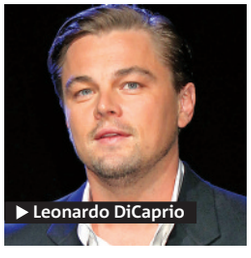
"She goes, 'I think it's time for you to leave now.'"
ZACH GALIFIANAKIS ON JANUARY JONES.

▶ Zach Galifianakis


▶ Leonardo DiCaprio

Leo's Lively lover rumours persist

Leonardo DiCaprio and Blake Lively are doing nothing to quell speculation that they're fostering a romance.

The pair jetted off to Portofino, Italy together over the weekend after turning heads at the Cannes International Film Festival, according to Hollyscoop.

DiCaprio and Lively "seemed happy in each other's company" and were "laughing and walking" together, says an eye witness who spotted the pair in Italy.

While in Cannes, DiCaprio entertained Lively during a party on a private yacht.

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Talking points

Interview tells of a heroin addicted Dylan

OLD NEWS?. Bob Dylan, who just turned 70, admitted to a period of heroin addiction in a 45-year-old interview with journalist and friend Robert Shelton that has just been released, according to BBC News.

"I kicked a heroin habit in New York City," Dylan says in the 1966 chat. "I got very, very strung out for a while, I mean really, very strung out. And I kicked the habit. I had about a $25-a-day habit and I kicked it."

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Bieber, Gomez on romantic vacation

JUST TALKING ABOUT THIS IS AWKWARD. After some very public displays of affection at the Billboard Music Awards, Justin Bieber and girlfriend Selena Gomez are off to Hawaii for a romantic vacation, according to E! Online.

"After working their asses off, they've carved out some serious time to hang out," a source says. "They're taking a well-deserved break together."

The pair were spotted in Maui earlier this week frolicking on the beach.

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Gaga's Judas a non-biblical revelation

SHE WAS BETRAYED. Lady Gaga admits her new single, Judas, has some very non-biblical origins.

"I've had a lot of ex-boyfriends betray me," she tells MTV.

"I began to write a song about an ex-lover who betrayed me, who loved heavy metal music. And then I thought about the biblical implications and how Judas was the betrayer."

Coincidentally, the singer recently announced she'd split with heavy metal drummer Luc Carl, whom she'd also dated and broken up with before hitting it big.

"I thought a more liberating way to tackle the message of the song — we attack the idea by saying my ex betrayed me and this person haunts me, but I forgive them," Gaga says.

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Celebrity tweets

Making tea, good morning ... you sleep well? Man, this feels so one sided.
@jeremypiven

@jessicaalba
"Woke up late -ate big bfast - can't keep my eyes open, about 2 take nap... Whats the deal?!? Oh yeah, I'm pregnant"

@AlbertBrooks
"God I miss the rapture jokes. I hope there's another one soon."

@Joan_Rivers
"People should have known that Arnold Schwarzenegger was this kid's father. By age 2 and 1/2, he was bench-pressing the pediatrician."

3 life

Indiana brings his goodies to Montreal

- Items from the four Indiana Jones movies go on display at Montreal Science Centre
- Exhibit aims to raise interest in archaeology and celebrate the 30th anniversary of franchise

Fact, fiction and fun are melded together in a new exhibit in Montreal's Old Port which celebrates intrepid archeologist Indiana Jones 30 years after he burst onto the big screen with feats of daring and the crack of a bullwhip.

Visitors to Indiana Jones and the Adventure of Archeology at the Montreal Science Centre are welcomed by a bilingual message from no less than Harrison Ford, who brought Indy to life in the movies beginning with Raiders of the Lost Ark in 1981.

Jones' fabled leather jacket, fedora and bullwhip are among the first things people see when they walk into the show which has enough props and real relics to tickle the most diehard fan.

"We're using the character of Indiana Jones as an invitation to discover what the world of archeology is today as well as what the world of archeology was in the past," said Genevieve Angio-Morneau, one of the show's creators.

The original Raiders remains one of the top-grossing films of all time and was followed by three sequels and a TV series, The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles. There have also been comic books and video games with the character.

Angio-Morneau, a designer and museologist with Montreal's X3 Productions, says the idea for the show came from Lucasfilm when it saw the success of Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, which came out in 2008.

"Lucasfilm realized that there was a lot of attention and that he was still very famous, a well-loved character," she said. "Lucasfilm has all these amazing objects in their archives so I guess they quickly put one and one together and said it's time to let these objects leave the archives and have them tour the world."

The Hollywood filmmakers found kindred spirits in X3 Productions for the show, which comes as the film franchise marks its 30th anniversary.

The exhibit pays lavish tribute to the movies, with a selection of iconic props including the Ark of the Covenant from the first movie, a life-sized sarcophagus from the Well of Souls and a crystal skeleton from Akator on its throne.

The Montreal exhibit is the show's premiere and after it wraps up on Sept. 18. Montreal is the only Canadian stop.

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▶ The 30th anniversary of Indiana Jones' big-screen debut is being marked with a new exhibit at the Montreal Science Centre showcasing props from the beloved movies as well as rare real-world artefacts that give patrons a glimpse into the world of archeology.

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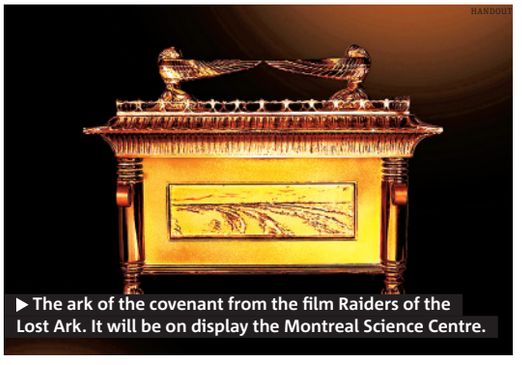

▶ The ark of the covenant from the film Raiders of the Lost Ark. It will be on display the Montreal Science Centre.

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- **On the web:** montrealsciencecentre.com/home.html

Travel in brief

George Lucas figures he's working on his third generation of Star Wars fans. And plenty of them were standing in line with their parents Friday to get first crack at Walt Disney World's overhauled ride based on the iconic movie franchise. The venerable Star Tours motion simulator ride's 25-year-old story and visuals have been updated with a digital projection system and 3-D effects.

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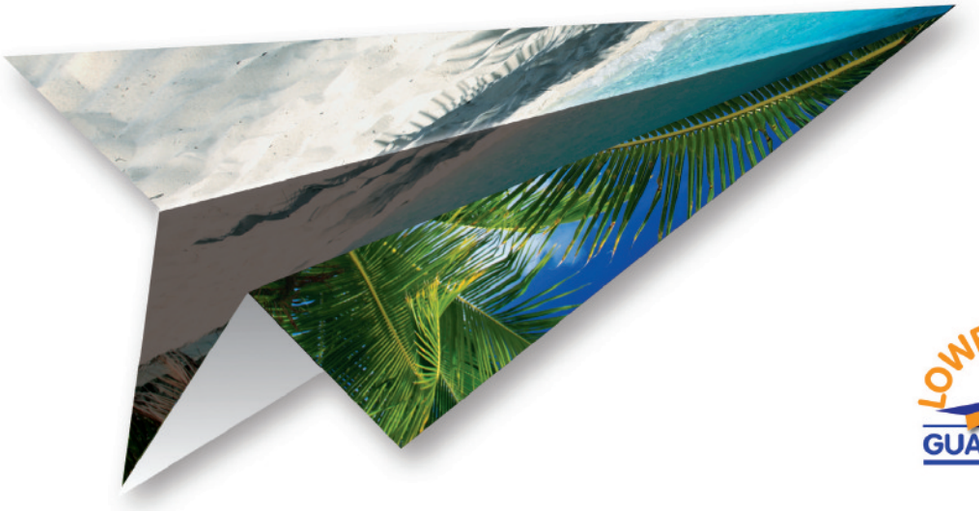

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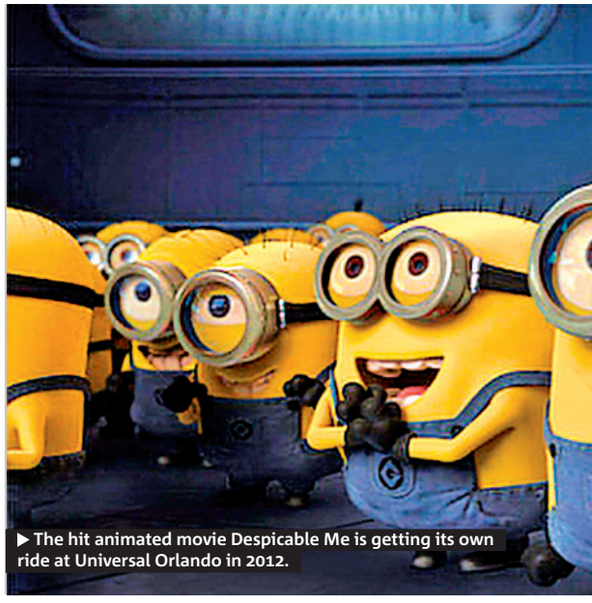
Universal rides go high-def

Universal Orlando has big plans to revamp attractions for 2012

Spiderman ride ads 3-D animation, new Despicable Me ride in the works



▶ The hit animated movie Despicable Me is getting its own ride at Universal Orlando in 2012.

Universal Orlando says Spidey will soon go high-def, and lots of "minions" will be up to no good in a new attraction themed on the animated movie Despicable Me.

The theme park announced plans Thursday to reanimate the iconic Spider-Man ride in digital high-definition. Universal also said it will close its Jimmy Neutron-themed ride this summer and replace it with a 3-D attraction based on Despicable Me, which features minions as not-so-smart sidekicks to the villain Gru.

"We're not recreating scenes from the first movie. We're moving our story forward."

CHRIS MELEDANDRI, ON NEW DESPICABLE ME RIDE

Both revamped attractions will open at the park sometime in 2012, but specific dates have not been announced.

The Amazing Adventures of Spider-Man, whose combination of 3-D animation, roving motion vehicles and special effects has made it a crowd favourite for more than a decade, will be updated with the highest-quality HD resolution available, special effects and new details in the film, which is projected onto a towering screen.

The cars hurtle riders along ravaged city streets as Spider-Man battles his archenemies, protecting innocent citizens from the likes of Doc Ock and Electro.

"A big part of it is bringing it to a point where the imaging, the characters, the animation, the clarity, the details will be at a point where it's larger than life," said Thierry Coup, senior vice-president of Universal Creative. "You'll feel even more like you're in that world."

Springing from the pages of Marvel Comics, Spider-Man has carried three successful feature films with Tobey Maguire as the superhero and his alter ego, Peter Parker. A Broadway version, though, has stumbled a few times on the way to the stage. Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark has been fraught with problems, including a bloated price tag and serious injuries to a performer who fell during an aerial stunt. A retooled version of the show was rolled out last week in New York.

Universal hasn't yet announced closing and reopening dates for the Spider-Man ride, which de-

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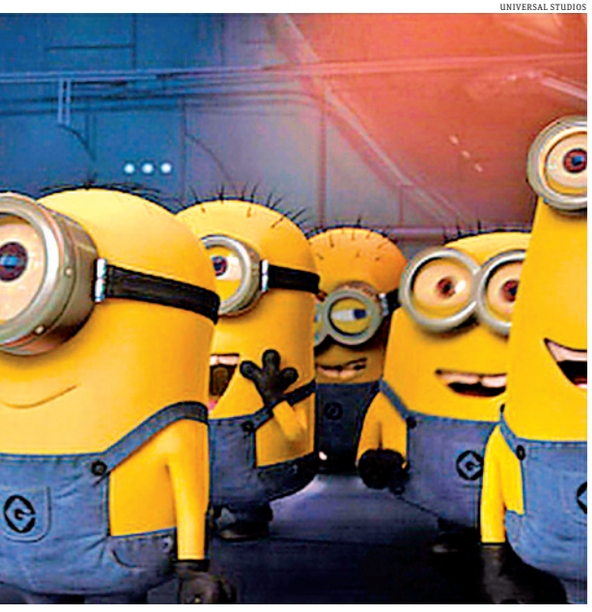


UNIVERSAL STUDIOS

▶ Universal Orlando is revamping its popular The Amazing Adventures of Spider-Man ride by adding 3-D animation.

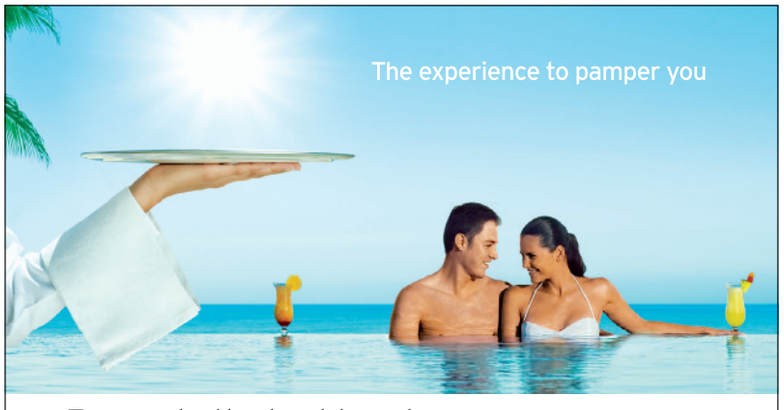
buted in 1999 in the Islands of Adventure park.

In the Universal Studios park, the Despicable Me ride will replace the Jimmy Neutron's Nicktoon Blast simulator, which has been running only part-time since April and closes permanently Aug. 18. Like the new Spider-Man experience, it will utilize a sophisticated Infitec 3-D projection system.

The animated film Despicable Me, which came out last year with Steve Carell voicing Gru, grossed more than $540 million US worldwide. Like the movie, the Universal ride will feature Gru, his three adopted daughters and, of course, the minions. Universal says riders will be transformed into minions before embarking on the 3-D adventure and get to participate in a minion "dance party" at the end of the ride.

"In the same way comedy and sweetness and emotion were critical parts of the film, they will also become very essential parts of the experience in the ride," said Chris Meledandri, who produced the film and is involved in creating the ride. "That tonality that people loved in the movie is absolutely going to be consistent in the ride as well."

Park officials said Despicable Me is the first Universal animated film to be become the basis for a theme park ride. "We're not recreating scenes from the first movie," Meledandri said. "We're moving our story forward." THE ASSOCIATED



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For many Los Angeles locals — such as myself, born and raised in the crosshairs of Hollywood — avoiding the Hollywood Walk of Fame and its throngs, celebrity impersonators and tchotchke stores comes with jaded Angeleno territory.

But there I was on a recent spring day, tourist-chic in a wide-brimmed hat, navigating the area on a red double-decker tour bus and enjoying the heck out of myself, with the help of City Sightseeing's iPhone app.

The free app for your iPhone or Android phone is a worldwide app for multiple cities that host City Sightseeing tour buses. The City Sightseeing app for Los Angeles coincides with local Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour, featuring routes in Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and downtown L.A.

The app allows you to buy tickets for the bus tours and get information on where and what the stops are. There's also a way to email "postcards" of pictures taken during the tour.

"The City Sightseeing mobile app delivers a pioneering solution, with many features and functions, across a multi-platform solution that no other travel company has, especially other bus and coach operators," said Mandy Gaughan, City Sightseeing's director of marketing and sales. "The app consumed all the technology that the smartphones had available,

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▶ A group of tourists as they ride the Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour bus during a bus tour in the Hollywood section of Los Angeles. The City Sightseeing app for Los Angeles coincides with local tour line Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour, featuring routes encompassing Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and L.A.

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Once the app is downloaded from iPhone's or Android's app store (search for City Sightseeing), and the city location is selected, a home screen comes up with tabs to book tours, look at photos of various tourist hotspots, send postcards and scroll through guides listing stops and tour details.

I chose, through the L.A. app, to try out some stops on Starline's Hop-On, Hop-Off Blue Route, which goes from Grauman's Chinese Theatre on the Walk of Fame to nearby Universal Studios, and on the Red Route, which stretches from the Walk of Fame all the way to swanky Beverly Hills and back. You can change routes on the guide page by pressing a plus sign next to the route name. Clicking on a freeway-type symbol below that, next to "Viewing Stop," shows a list of all the stops and stop numbers on that route.

After getting the hang of it, I scrolled through multiple points of interest listed for each route. Each stop lists different landmarks and attractions, such as the Comedy Store and Sunset Strip for stop No. 4 on the Red Route, in West Hollywood.

Jumping on the open-top two-tiered Red Route bus at its first stop, Grauman's, I was happy to find that 12 area points of interest, from the historic Egyptian Theater to the Hollywood Guinness World of Records Museum, were listed, each with concise summaries. An automated tour broadcast in English and American accents from speakers on the bus added even more tidbits of information and celebrity-filled anecdotes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Tourists as they get off the Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour bus after a bus tour in the Hollywood section of Los Angeles.

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Enjoy your very own hangover in Thailand

For the second Hangover movie, the Wolfpack gets caught up in an eventful night out in Bangkok There's nightlife for everyone in Thailand, from chic cocktails to wild beach parties

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The beginning of the much-anticipated sequel to The Hangover juxtaposes grandeur and sleaze. A wedding party starts off in the sumptuous surroundings of a luxury Krabi beach hotel. But soon enough the trio of feckless partygoers who tore up Vegas to such humourous effect in the original movie are shown waking up and down on their luck in a stinking Bangkok backstreet, surrounded by pimps, players, beer, bhats and a smoking monkey.

It might all seem juvenile, but director Todd Phillips has nailed today's Thailand — you can galavant glamorously or sink into sleaze up to your neck and not emerge for days. The new film, shot on location in Bangkok and Krabi, offers up both sides of the coin: it depicts underground speakeasies frequented by ne'er do wells but also mind-blowing cocktail lounges, like the Sky Bar — perched atop one of Bangkok's tallest buildings.

For full-moon parties and beach raves you need to head out of town — nightlife in Bangkok is less hippie-oriented — apart from in that travellers' nexus, the Khaosan Road. There's more glamour in the capital. Places like Bed Supperclub cater to a hip, international crowd of cocktail-drinkers in the Sukhumvit neighbourhood. Yet Sukhumvit is also the area of town where there are girls, boys and everything in-between to be found wrapped around poles and portly male tourists with money. There's still the odd sex-show as well. But why would you, a discerning traveller, come to Thailand for that kind of thing?

For nights out that defy the Thai cliches, there are cool, late-night jazz bars and relaxed pubs, like Saxophone, in the area around Victory Monument. There are plenty of grimy dives playing records all night in Bangkok, but for really good music, head for clubs like Culture. This forward-looking place hosts indie, dubstep, electro and techno nights on Ratchadamnoen Klang Rd. The club has even set up its own festival, the Culture One Festival.

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▶ Sleeping off a full moon hangover in Koh Pha Ngan

Quick tips

FESTIVAL

- **Big Mountain:** Thai bands perform among the mountains for this annual indie and dance event in stunning Khao Yai, north east of Bangkok. **bigmountain-musicfestival.com**

STAY

- **Sheraton Krabi:** Scenes for The Hangover 2 were shot at this palatial pad in Krabi. The crew and cast apparently sank a few bottles of Singha in the pool bar once the job was complete. Rooms from 4,230 bht. **sheraton.com/krabi**

DRUG LAWS

- It's not hard to find drugs in Thailand, but possessing them carries high risks. The death sentence can be imposed for dealing.

3 PARTY PLACES IN THAILAND

KOH CHANG

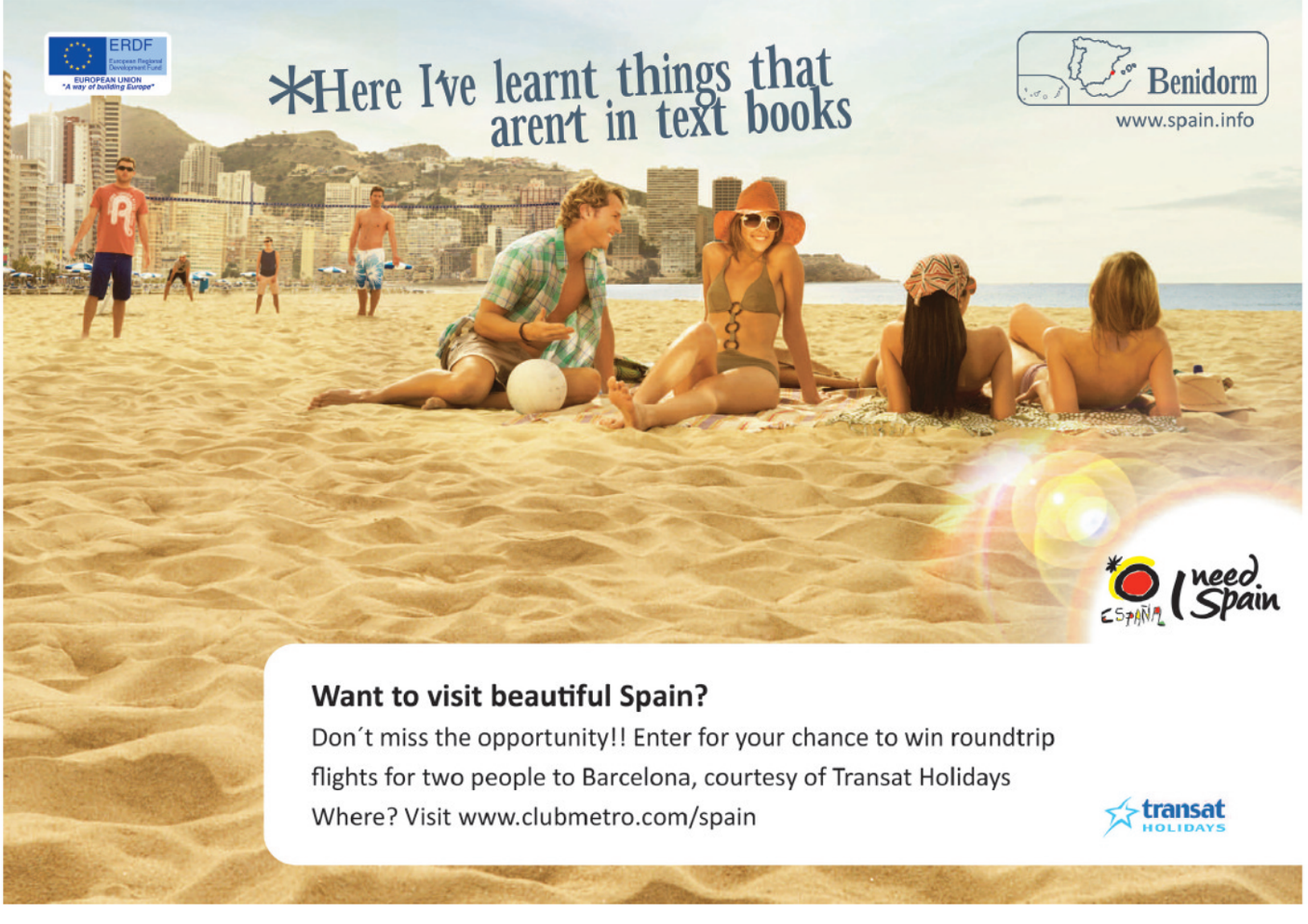
- Beautiful island to soothe a Bangkok hangover and which has yet to fully succumb to the baying western European hordes. But since it got its first Irish Bar, you know it's officially on the Thai partying map.

KOH PHA NGAN

- Home of the legendary Full Moon parties, where 30,000 backpackers jump over skipping ropes on fire and throw shapes to rave bangers while drinking mind-bending cocktails from buckets. Next party: Jun 16 2011.

PATONG BEACH

- Phuket's main seaside drag, Patong Beach offers all the Thai clichés you can drink in. A bit trashy perhaps, but you'll not get bored by the bars.



Cut your camping weight

Lightweight gear lets campers take the strain off their backs
Go further and don't get tired

Whether you're an experienced camper or are just starting out, you might be weighing yourself down with extra baggage. Instead of carrying a traditional pack that weighs 23 or 27 kilograms, ultra-lightweight and super ultra-lightweight campers are carrying packs that weight under five kilograms and 2.5 kilograms, respectively. It may seem like very little, but that's the point.

True ultra-lightweight backpackers share an extreme attention to detail. They choose lithium over alkaline batteries because of the difference in weight. They cut the corners off maps, the handles off toothbrushes, and extra straps off backpacks to shed weight. Every gram counts when you are going for the lightest pack possible.

Carrying less enables you to go farther since you don't tire as quickly, and it can be better for your body, too, as Gregg Spoering, who has been camping since he was 11 years old, discovered.

"It has saved my knees. I thought I was going to have to give up backpacking 10 years ago," he said. "I'm just as comfortable in the woods now than when I carried a 'traditional' pack."

But for the average camper looking to go lighter, there are a few main tips to follow. First, adjust your big three: tent, backpack and sleeping bag. Consider using a tarp to replace your tent. Choose a simpler backpack; extra padding, pockets and zippers can add up. (If you have less stuff, you probably won't need a heavy-duty backpack anyway.) Consider spending a little more on a down sleeping bag. They are light and warm.

Second, scrutinize. Think about what you want to bring, then decide what you actually need. Do you need a fresh shirt each day? Can you simplify your first-aid kit based on what you have used in the past? Know how to use what you take. Make cuts like you mean it and be honest about your skill level; let that guide what you bring.

Third, use one item for multiple purposes. Spoering suggests using a bandana as a potholder, headband, towel and even a map, since some are printed with maps of popular hiking areas.

If you've made all the cuts you can but want to shave off more weight, let's get technical. The difference between a not-so-heavy tent and an ultra-lightweight tent comes down to materials and design. Brandon Davey, senior designer at NEMO Camping Equipment, explains the evolution of tent frames.

"In the past 20-30 years, everything has gotten lighter through material choices, especially, but also design decisions," he said.

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▶ The Obi Elite 1P tent. According to their website, this tent is the lightest poled tent made by NEMO.

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▶ The Meta 2P tent by NEMO.

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▶ The Gogo Elite tent. NEMO uses computer-aided design software to find the minimum amount of poles and material they can use to still have a comfortable tent

Tent frame designs have evolved from A-frames, to dome tents, to bivy sacks and hammock tents, and new fabrics are always being developed to be more durable, breathable and lightweight, he added.

"It's common in the industry to believe that lightweight is synonymous with not as durable, smaller volume for tents, and less features," Davey said. That's not necessarily true. However, gear made from ultra-light fabric does have to be treated more carefully.

At larger companies, ultra-light gear can be more expensive than standard gear. "It's a case where less is more," said Davey. NEMO, for example, factors in additional costs for improved materials and extra time spent on the design process. However, gear from smaller companies devoted to ultra-light gear, like Six Moon Designs and Granite Gear, often costs less. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Glengorm Castle on the Isle of Mull.

Sleeping with the royals

You don't have to get lucky with Prince Harry or Princess Eugenie to spend the night in a royal residence Plenty of castles will open their portcullis to guests

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Not as wealthy as royalty? Not a problem. You can still stay in a castle; while some are now luxury havens, others are more modest B&Bs or offer self-catering. Spend a night in a four-poster bed and you'll feel like a queen or king.

1

GLENGORM CASTLE
Mull, Scotland

This 19th-century castle is set on the Isle of Mull, which offers a dramatic coastline, forests and lochs, and spectacular views of the Atlantic. The castle offers a B&B option. Or guests can rent the flat on the ground floor where they can cook in a kitchen that was once the castle's vault, using produce from the estate's market garden and farm, including Highland beef, wild venison and fresh vegetables.
From €138 ($190) per night B&B, glengormcastle.co.uk

2

SADDELL CASTLE
Mull of Kintyre, Scotland

This castle dating back to 1508 has a picturesque setting on the edge of Saddell Bay, with views over to the Isle of Arran. Once the home of the majestic Campbell clan, it's now owned by the Landmark Trust, a charity that preserves and rents out unique historic houses. You can rent the castle, as well as the neighbouring mansion and three cute cottages. For unwelcome guests, remove the floor inside the front door so they drop into the pit below.
From €487 ($672) for 4 nights, landmarktrust.org.uk

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3

AMBERLEY CASTLE
Sussex, England

This 900-year-old castle offers everything you could ask for from a medieval royal fortress: 18-metre walls with crenellated turrets; a twin-tower gatehouse; four-poster beds; tapestries; and heavy antique furniture in the castle's 19 rooms.
From €264 ($364), amberleycastle.co.uk

4

THORNBURY CASTLE
Gloucestershire, England

The famous king Henry VIII and one of his many wives, Anne Boleyn, were once house guests at Thornbury, and nowadays plebians can pay to stay at the only Tudor-age castle in England that's now a hotel.
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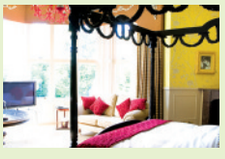

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RUTHIN CASTLE
Wales

With a history that dates back to 1277, Ruthin Castle has been owned by King Edward I, Henry VIII, Queen Elizabeth I and Charles I. It's a great place for treks up the Snowdonia mountains and visits to the North Welsh Coast.
From €74 ($102), ruthincastle.co.uk

What's a moat?

- **Moat:** A protective, deep ditch of water around the base of the castle walls.
- **Drawbridge:** The bridge over the moat that can be raised to thwart attackers.
- **Portcullis:** The medieval answer to the garage door, a giant metal gate that is lowered overnight or to keep attackers at bay.
- **Machicolation:** Protected gaps at the top of a castle wall that allowed inhabitants to throw boiling oil and stones at potential invaders.
- **Arrowslit:** Skinny windows through which archers could send arrows.

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France's hidden jewel

Like Venice, the French town of Troyes has to be seen to be believed The heart of this stunning town is lined with 16th-century timbered mansions At the heart of France's textile industry, there's discount shopping too

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There are many beautiful towns and villages in France, and they are all worth visiting, but few are as standout-spectacular as the town of Troyes.

The streets of beautifully preserved timbered medieval buildings in the town's historical centre make it a very special place to visit.

Set in the heart of the Champagne region, the centre of Troyes (pronounced "trois," like the French word for three), is actually shaped like a champagne cork.

The magnificent architecture dates back to 1524 when 500 houses were built by wealthy merchants after a fire had burned down most of the city. Those houses, with their timbered fronts, have been lovingly restored and it's a pleasure to stroll down the cobbled pedestrian streets.

Pick up one of the many guides in the tourist office at 16 rue Carnot, and follow a route through the town so you catch all the highlights. Check out the historical tool museum, and if the exhibits don't sound appealing, stop by just for a walk round the beautiful interior courtyard garden, which showcases useful and beautifully scented herbs.

There's also the Gothic cathedral St Pierre et St Paul, which boasts 1,500 square metres of stained glass dating from the 13th to 19th centuries, as well as the Modern Art Museum (Musée d'Art Moderne) in the former bishop's palace next door, with more than 2,000 works from French artists including Rodin, Dégas and Derain.

This medieval town is so remarkable that it feels like a theme park.

Tucked down the picturesque alleys are lots of little shops, as well as restaurants and bars, with terraces outside. There's also a manicured park to laze in and a busy main square packed with bars with terraces, the perfect pitch for people-watching with a glass of wine.

In the evening, the pavements outside restaurants are lined with tables for al fresco dining. Gourmet adventurers beware: the local specialty, Andouillette de Troyes, is a sausage filled with smoked tripe, and smells a bit like halitosis. It's not for the faint-hearted.

When you've had your fill of culture, give yourself a shopping hit without depleting your wallet: Troyes is at the heart of France's textile industry and it's where the big brands have their outlet stores.

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▶Sitting pretty in Troyes.

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For more information check out tourism-troyes.com

A MUSICAL TOWN
Ville en Musique Troyes

▶ The town gets musical at the end of June, as the Ville en Musique Troyes plays host to acts including blues, jazz, pop, French "variete," classical and African. For more information, visit the tourist office or check out ville-troyes.fr.

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A piece of Portuguese history

Portugal has had huge wealth and power throughout its history, resulting in a country full of beautiful buildings Now visitors can soak up Portugal's history in restored manor houses, castles, convents and palaces

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"Get a feel for Portugal's rich heritage by staying in a historical property."

As well as its coast of gorgeous beaches and its delicious food, Portugal has a rich history that draws in holidaymakers. Its role as a colonial power through history brought riches that are reflected in the stunning towns and properties that were left behind. Many of those have been transformed into hotels.

For more information check out pousadas.pt

1 THE CASTLE

Pousada de Palmela, Lisbon

This 17th-century fortress is set dramatically on the top of a hill with breathtaking views over the countryside to the Arrábida Natural Park. Isolated on a hilltop, Pousada de Palmela is luxurious and welcoming but pleasingly austere, with lots of period features, huge rooms and wide corridors. The restaurant is excellent, serving local wines and delicious specialities.
From €95 ($130), pousadas.pt

The atmospheric castle: Pousada de Palmela

2 THE COUNTRY HOUSE

Monte do Casal, Algarve

A far cry from the busy resorts of the Algarve coast, this pretty privately owned hotel is set in a traditional 18th-century country house 20 kilometres from the beach, in the old village of Estoi. The hotel has just 18 rooms, and it's a haven of peace and quiet, set on a hill with panoramic views over an elegant luxuriant garden with waterfalls and ponds, two heated swimming pools and a separate spa with a special deck for outdoor treatments. There's also al fresco dining; gastronomy is a focus here so you can enjoy a full tasting-menu under the stars, or enjoy a delicious breakfast served on your private terrace.
From €95 ($130), montedocasal.com

3 THE VINEYARD

Quinta Nova De Nossa Senhora Do Carmo, Douro Valley

The Quinta Nova claims the prize of being the first hotel in a vineyard in Portugal. This 18th-century manor house is the ideal base for exploring Portugal's UNESCO World Heritage Douro valley. There are vineyard tours, wine and port-tasting, as well as olive oil-tasting and bread-making courses.
From €126 ($174), quintanova.com

4 THE CONVENT

Pousada de Arraiolos, Nossa Senora da Assuncao, Arraiolos

Set in the stunning Alentejo countryside, this former convent dating back to the 16th century has been tastefully transformed into a contemporary hotel. The cloisters have been given a clean, minimalist look, peppered with antiques, although the hotel's charming little chapel is lined with stunning original blue and white tiles. Many of the simply decorated rooms with their rich, wooden features are in a stylish new wing, with balconies overlooking a chic outdoor pool.
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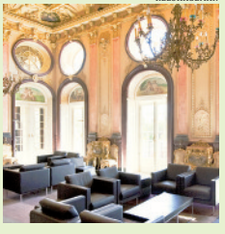

5 THE PALACE

Palacio de Estoi, Algarve

This exotic pastel-pink palace dating back to 1909 has been tastefully restored, with elegant gardens and rococo-style interior with antiques and ornate frescoes. Its transformation into a boutique hotel has been stylishly executed, the perfect example of how new and old can co-habit harmoniously. Rooms are in a glamorous new block, with an outside pool and canopied cabanas that wouldn't look out of place in Miami. Dining al fresco on the terrace here is a real holiday treat.
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Turn off that hot oven and welcome cool salad season

This Italian Bean Pasta Salad combines pasta shells, three types of beans and a simple dressing Its protein makes it great for vegetarians

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This recipe will serve eight.

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Serve this as a side dish, salad or main course. The beans and pasta form a complete protein, so it's perfect for the vegetarian. Use any combination of canned cooked beans you like. It tastes great at room temperature or chilled.

Preparation:

1. Cook pasta in boiling water according to package directions, or until firm to the bite, about 10 minutes. Rinse with cold water. Drain and place in a serving bowl.
2. Add tomato, green pepper, onion, red and white kidney beans, chickpeas, feta cheese and basil to bowl.
3. For the dressing, combine the lemon juice, oil, vinegar, garlic, basil and oregano in a small bowl. Mix well. Pour the dressing over the pasta and toss.

Ingredients:

Salad
- 12 oz medium shell pasta
- 2 1/2 cups chopped plum tomatoes
- 3/4 cup diced green bell pepper
- 3/4 cup diced red onion
- 2/3 cup each canned red kidney beans, white kidney beans, chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- ½ cup light feta cheese, crumbled
- 1/3 cup fresh chopped basil or parsley

Dressing
- 1/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 3 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tsp crushed fresh garlic
- 2 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 1 1/2 tsp dried oregano

Broccoli, Snow Pea & Baby Corn Salad

Preparation:

1. Steam broccoli until tender-crisp, approximately 2 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold water. Drain again; pat it dry. Place the in serving bowl.
2. Add peas, onion, red pepper, lettuce, orange, sliced water chestnuts, corn and cranberries to the serving bowl.
3. For the dressing, whisk the oil, juice concentrate, vinegar, garlic, lemon juice and sugar together in a small bowl. Pour over the salad and toss well.

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Ingredients:

Salad
- 2 cups chopped broccoli florets
- 1 cup snow peas, cut into 1-inch pieces
- ½ cup sliced onion
- ½ medium red bell pepper, sliced
- 3 cups torn romaine lettuce
- ¾ cup drained mandarin orange sections
- ½ cup water chestnuts
- 8 ears canned baby corn, drained and cut in thirds
- ¼ cup dried cranberries

Dressing
- 3 Tbsp olive oil
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Graduate with a job

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DREW HINSHAW
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Call it pomp and dire circumstances: The class of 2011 graduates into a job market so dismal you might as well keep studying.

With unemployment roasting at nine per cent, career counselors say the 2011 crop faces monumentally rough competition for entry-level gigs. Students can expect to vie against part-timers, the unemployed, and the far-more-experienced for that rarest of openings: the publicly-posted job listing.

But there's hope, CareerBuilder.com advisor Allison Nawoj proclaims.

"We are seeing a slightly rosier picture when we're looking at the college job market this year," she says. "It's not anything like the pre-recession levels we saw in 2007, but 47 per cent of employers said they planned to hire college graduates, and that's a bit better than the past few years."

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▶ You can cheer, but will you land a career?

Skills-Based Resumé

More often than not, fresh graduates brave the open job market with no contacts, a department of elderly lecturers for references, and a stint marketing the soup du jour as their main work experience: hardly the stuff of a smashing resumé.

The trick to beefing up that meager resumé is to build it around the skills you've acquired at each position, says President Natascha F. Saunders of the Youth Career Coach.

"Thirty-four per cent of employers said that classwork qualified in their eyes as experience."

NATASCHA F. SAUNDERS, PRESIDENT OF YOUTH CAREER COACH

"Some people think, 'oh, all I've got is that summer job, it doesn't mean anything," she says. "Just eliminate that thought. You have transferable skills. What did you learn from that retail job that you can now apply to the job at hand?"

Play up your grades, your schoolwork, your term papers, Nawoj adds. If you've aced job-relevant courses, she suggests, splay that across your resumé.

"Thirty-four per cent of employers said that classwork qualified in their eyes as experience," she said. "If you've got the room for it, certainly include it."

Meet People

What graduates most lack isn't work experience, Nastacha F. Saunders notes. It's that well-placed ex-coworker nestled one phone call away from a job.

Finding those people, she says, is as easy as asking their advice.

"This should be your famous line: 'I'm a student at so-and-so and I'd love to sit down with you and speak to you about x, y, z,'" she recommends.

When is it time to jump ship?

Three signs quitting might be best

▶ At one point is it all too much?

Dr. Kristin Cardinale describes "patchworking" as "a freelance career strategy based on the simple idea that working for a number of employers simultaneously presents unique business opportunities and insulates an individual from sudden and total job loss."

Not a bad deal. Here are three signs that it may be time to dump your day job and set your sights on patchworking.

Anxiety plays a significant role in your day.

If stress is a norm in your current position or inherent in your career field, then perhaps you need to consider the repercussions your job may have on your physical health. Regular stress can strain your heart, raise your blood pressure and spark depression, among other things. Patchworkers are committed to seeking out work that is a healthy, inspiring part of their everyday lives.

You've always wanted more freedom on the job.

If what you crave more than fame or fortune is the ability to live your life on your own terms, then patchworking is the career lifestyle for you. Imagine determining where you work, when you work, who you work with and what your schedule is on any given day.

You're always watching the clock.

If you are a clock-watcher, imagine what your day might be like if instead the work you were doing was aligned with something you felt passionate about. Imagine your life spent doing work that caused time to race by each day because you were in your flow, engrossed in enjoyable activity. This is how a patchworker spends every work day. Smash the clock and never look back; it is a gift you owe yourself.

METRO

Bosses, don't beat around the bush

STUDENT VOICE

HEATHER BELLINGHAM
TALENTEGG.CA

I was always that kid who knew exactly what she wanted to do: Work behind the camera in the film and television industry.

I attended Humber College's Film and Television Production program and graduated with honours. We were warned repeatedly that we were going to be working for free for at least two or three years. I was absolutely prepared to be underemployed.

What I was not prepared for was the treatment I would receive. I learned that I had to grow a thick skin, very quickly.

I interned at several companies that absolutely guaranteed I would get a job after six months, only to later discover that they had no intention of hiring me. Once I inquired about this "job offer," they would let me go and look for a new, unpaid intern.

When I did manage to get a paying job, which was rare, it was usually an "honorarium," so I was paid significantly under minimum wage to work full-time.

Without going into detail, I will say that there are a lot of shady people out there, particularly in the film industry, and in some circumstances the "casting couch" story is absolutely true, even for people working behind the camera. Needless to say, some interviews ended abruptly.

The main recommendation I would give to employers would be to be completely and totally up front. Just be honest with us. If this unpaid internship will not lead to a job, tell us. Sometimes the experience is valuable on its own.

If you want a personal assistant, advertise that, not a job that involves working on a project that doesn't actually exist. If the job is unpaid, do not list the salary as "competitive."

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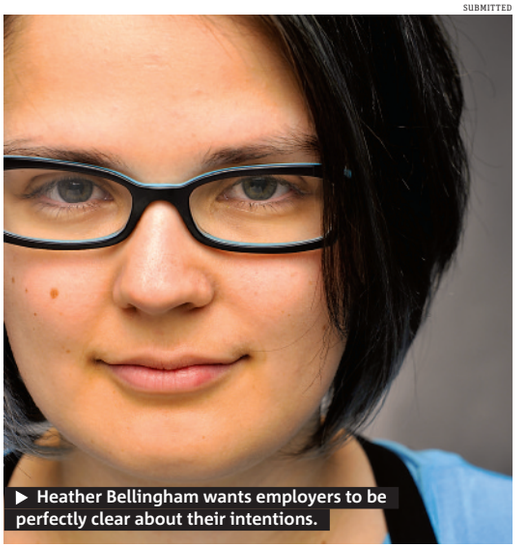

▶ Heather Bellingham wants employers to be perfectly clear about their intentions.

Where Heather is now

I decided, after a year of complete unemployment, to go back to school. I just completed a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and Theatre and Performance Studies at the University of Toronto at Scarborough. It was, by far, one of the better decisions I have made, and I will forever be grateful for the experiences I had there. I now have a wider variety of qualifications, and I'm better prepared for the potential pitfalls of job searching.

What I learned

Key take-aways from Heather's experience:

- Don't put up with degrading or possibly illegal behaviour on the part of an employer, and report it to the proper authorities when necessary.
- If an internship doesn't pay, make sure it will provide the industry experience and networking opportunities you'll need to take the next step in your career.
- Take advantage of the time during which you are unemployed.

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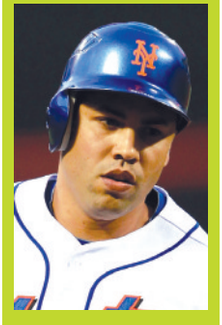

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Canucks move on to challenge for Stanley

Win comes exactly 17 years after Vancouver's last conference final victory

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▶ Canucks captain Henrik Sedin leads his team in the post-game handshake with the Sharks at Rogers Arena in Vancouver last night.

Kevin Bieksa scored 10:18 into the second overtime as the Vancouver Canucks defeated the San Jose Sharks 3-2 last night to advance to the Stanley Cup final for the first time in 17 years.

Game 5 was won on a strange play. The puck took a funny bounce off the back boards, and several of the Sharks were standing looking around when Bieksa fired a shot that beat San Jose goalie Antti Niemi.

The rest of the team poured on the ice as the sellout crowd of 18,860 chanted "We want the Cup."

CANUCKS	SHARKS
3	2

Ryan Kesler scored with 13.2 seconds left in the third period to force the overtime. The gritty centre tipped a shot by Henrik Sedin past Niemi.

The Sharks outshot the Canucks 16-9 in the first overtime.

Luongo kept Vancouver in the game by making a glove save on a Kyle Wellwood shot and blocking a deflection off the skate of Ian White.

Vancouver was outshot 56-34 overall.

The game was played exactly 17 years after Greg Adams scored in double overtime to give Vancouver a 4-3 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs in the 1994 conference final.

Devin Setoguchi gave San Jose a 2-1 lead just 24 seconds into the third. A bouncing puck at the blueline got past Canuck defenceman Alex Edler, giving Setoguchi and Joe Pavelski a two-man breakaway on Luongo.

Alex Burrows had the other goal for the Canucks, while Henrik Sedin had two assists.

Patrick Marleau, on the power play, also scored for the Sharks.

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▶ Chris Bosh

Bulls drop into 3-1 series hole

HEAT	BULLS
101	93

LeBron James scored 35 points, Chris Bosh added 22 and the Miami Heat moved within one win of the NBA Finals with a wild 101-93 overtime victory over the Chicago Bulls in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals last night.

Dwyane Wade scored six of his 14 points in the final 2:08 for Miami, which has won three straight for a 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven.

Derrick Rose scored 23 points for the Bulls, who got 20 apiece from Luol Deng and Carlos Boozer. Chicago has lost three straight games for the first time this season.

Mike Miller scored 12 for Miami, which remained a perfect 8-0 at home in the playoffs.

Game 5 is tomorrow night in Chicago.

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Yankees rally to beat Jays

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▶ Mark Teixeira tries to throw out Toronto's John McDonald at first base. Robinson Cano dropped the ball, allowing Edwin Encarnacion to score.

◗ Teixeira has winning hit, Sabathia throws complete game ◗ Romero allows one run over seven innings

YANKEES	BLUE JAYS
5	4

Curtis Granderson had a tying RBI single in the ninth inning then stole second before Mark Teixeira singled him home to give CC Sabathia and the New York Yankees a 5-4 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays last night in New York.

The Yankees rallied for two runs in the eighth against relievers Casey Janssen and Marc Rzepczynski, and two in the ninth off Frank Francisco (1-2) for their sixth win in eight games.

Robinson Cano had an RBI double in the eighth and catcher Russell Martin of Chelsea, Que., followed with a run-scoring single. Slumping Nick Swisher, returning to the lineup after two days off, flied out to right field to end the eighth.

Sabathia (5-3) retired the final 16 batters in his first complete game at home for the Yankees. He gave up eight hits and four runs in the first four innings.

Toronto starter Ricky Romero allowed one run and seven hits over seven innings. He has surrendered just two runs in his last three outings.

Francisco gave up a one-out double to pinch-hitter Jorge Posada in the ninth. With the crowd of 41,519 screaming "Let's go Jeter!", Derek Jeter grounded to shortstop to drop to 0-for-5 for the second straight game.

Granderson, who had four hits, singled to score pinch-runner Chris Dickerson to tie it. Teixeira hit a sharp grounder that hit off first baseman Juan Rivera's glove and shot into right field for his first game-winning hit in the regular season for New York and fourth of his career.

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As good as gone?

Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed says city will withstand loss of Thrashers 'just fine' No agreement yet: NHL

The Atlanta Thrashers' sale and move to Winnipeg is not yet official, but Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed talked yesterday as if losing the team is inevitable.

"I think anytime we lose a major sports franchise, it is tough," Reed said.

"It is going to hurt the city but we will withstand it just fine and we will get through it. We have a lot of positive things going on in the sports franchise space that I think we'll be announcing pretty soon that will offset it a bit."

An announcement about a Thrashers' sale and move to Winnipeg will have to wait.

"No agreement has been reached," NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly wrote in an email to The Associated Press last night.

This would not be the first time longtime Atlanta hockey fans have suffered the pain of losing a team to Canada. Atlanta lost its first NHL team in 1980 when the Flames moved to Calgary.

Reed said the city was willing to work to keep the Thrashers, but had no success in its search for a buyer to keep the team in Atlanta. Reed's office has joined the Thrashers' ownership group, called the Atlanta Spirit, in the search.

"I've been working very hard to be as helpful as I can, but the Thrashers, as you know, are in an extraordinary position because of the amount of the losses associated with the team," Reed said. "We have not yet seen a path where we can reverse those losses fast enough.

"You talk to the Atlanta Spirit ownership, they will share the same thing. It's not a lack of the city being willing to step up and do something about it. It is a partner with deep enough pockets to be willing to sustain pretty significant losses and we have not yet had any of the individuals in our community who are prepared to take that on. But it has not been for a lack of trying, believe you me." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Room for two

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▶ Rafael Nadal celebrates match point yesterday during his match against John Isner in Paris.

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Nadal survives first-round scare

Rafael Nadal excelled when he needed to most, winning the final two sets against John Isner yesterday to advance to the second round at the French Open with a 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-7 (2), 6-2, 6-4 victory. The five-time champion, who is now 39-1 at Roland Garros, played a five-set match at the tourney for the first time in seven visits. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PEYTON MANNING

QB has 2nd neck surgery

Colts star quarterback Peyton Manning had neck surgery Monday in Chicago to repair a disk problem.

It's the second neck surgery since February 2010 for Manning. The previous was to repair a pinched nerve, and this operation was less invasive and less complicated, team owner Jim Irsay said yesterday at the NFL meetings.

"He had a bulging disk," Irsay said of the NFL's only four-time league MVP. "The doctors removed a part of it.

"It's usually a six- to eight-week recovery period. I think this is one you can bounce back from quickly."

The surgery was performed at Chicago's Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Manning was back home yesterday.

Even though the NFL has locked out its players, communication between teams and players in these cases is allowed. So Manning was able to contact the team and its doctors before heading to Chicago for the operation.

"Now is the time to do it, the end of May," Irsay reasoned. "He's had things tougher than this before." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

PLAYOFFS
All Times Eastern

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE
BOSTON (3) vs. TAMPA BAY (5)
(Boston leads series 3-2)
Monday's result
Boston 3 Tampa Bay 1
Tonight's game
Boston at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
Friday's game
x-Tampa Bay at Boston, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
VANCOUVER (1) vs. SAN JOSE (2)
(Vancouver leads series 3-1)
Last night's result
San Jose at Vancouver
Tomorrow's game
x-Vancouver at San Jose, 9 p.m.
Saturday's game
x-San Jose at Vancouver, 8 p.m.
x — played only if necessary.

LATE MONDAY

BRUINS 3, LIGHTNING 1
First Period
1. Tampa Bay, Gagne 5 (Stamkos) 1:09
Penalties — Lecavalier TB (tripping) 5:13, Seguin Bos (tripping) 6:45, Ference Bos (cross-checking) 12:17, Horton Bos (interference) 19:09.
Second Period
2. Boston, Horton 7 (Lucic, Krejci) 4:24
3. Boston, Marchand 6 (P.Bergeron, Chara) 15:56
Penalties — Horton Bos (interference) 2:07, Malone TB (interference), Marchand Bos (unsportsmanlike conduct) 6:42, Ohlund TB (hooking) 7:05, Brewer TB (hooking) 11:40.
Third Period
4. Boston, Peverley 2 (Kelly) 19:47 (en)
Penalty — Downie TB (boarding) 10:54.
Shots on goal by

Tampa Bay	14	9	11	34
Boston	4	8	8	20

Goal — Tampa Bay: M.Smith (L,1-1-0); Boston: Thomas (W,11-5-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Tampa Bay: 0-4; Boston: 0-4.
Att. — 17,565 (17,565) at Boston.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
H.Sedin, Vcr	2	17	19
St. Louis, TB	8	9	17
Kesler, Vcr	6	11	17
Lecavalier, TB	6	11	17
J.Thornton, SJ	3	14	17
D.Sedin, Vcr	8	7	15
Clowe, SJ	6	9	15
P.Bergeron, Bos	4	11	15
Datsyuk, Det	4	11	15
Purcell, TB	4	11	15
Boyle, SJ	3	12	15
Couture, SJ	7	7	14
Horton, Bos	7	7	14
Krejci, Bos	7	6	13
Ward, Nash	7	6	13
Marleau, SJ	7	5	12
Burrows, Vcr	6	6	12
Marchand, Bos	6	6	12
Gagne, TB	5	7	12
Downie, TB	2	10	12

Not including last night's game

HOCKEY

MEMORIAL CUP
At Mississauga, Ont.
All Times Eastern

ROUND ROBIN
Last night's result
Kootenay 5 Saint John 4 (OT)
Tonight's game
All times Eastern
Mississauga vs. Owen Sound, 7 p.m.
End of Round Robin

ACTIVITY

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BOSTON RED SOX — Assigned LHP Hideki Okajima outright to Pawtucket (IL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Activated INF Melvin Mora from the bereavement list. Placed RHP Sam Demel on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Kam Mickolio from Reno (PCL). Designated INF Josh Wilson for assignment.
CHICAGO CUBS — Placed RHP Matt Garza on the 15-day DL. Called up OF Luis Montanez from Iowa (PCL). Transferred RHP Brian Schlitter to the 60-day DL.
CINCINNATI REDS — Recalled RHP Carlos Fisher from Louisville (IL). Optioned UT Todd Frazier to Louisville.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Activated OF Rick Ankiel from the 15-day DL.

NHL
MINNESOTA WILD — Signed F Johan Larsson to a three-year contract.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Signed D Victor Bartley to a two-year contract.

AHL
CONNECTICUT WHALE — Exercised their 2011-12 option on D Jared Nightingale.

CYCLING

GIRO D'ITALIA
At Belluno, Italy
Stage 16
1. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank, 28 minutes, 55 seconds; 2. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, 0:34 behind; 3. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, 0:38; 4. Jose Rujano, Venezuela, Androni, 0:39; 5. Stefano Garzelli, Italy, Acqua&Sapone, 0:46; 6. Roman Kreuziger, Czech Republic, Astana, 0:49; 7. Denis Menchov, Russia, Geox, 0:52; **Also: 117. Michael Barry, Toronto, Sky Procycling, 4:07.**
Overall Standings
(After 16th of 21 stages)
1. Alberto Contador, Spain, Saxo Bank, 62 hours, 43 minutes, 37 seconds; 2. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, 4:58 behind; 3. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, 5:45; 4. John Gadret, France, AG2R, 7:35; 5. Jose Rujano, Venezuela, Androni, 9:18; 6. Mikel Nieve Ituralde, Spain, Euskaltel, 9:22; 7. Denis Menchov, Russia, Geox, 9:38; 8. Roman Kreuziger, Czech Republic, Astana, 9:47; 9. Joaquin Rodriguez, Spain, Katusha, 10:25; 10. David Arroyo, Spain, Movistar, 10:58.
Also: 69. Michael Barry, Toronto, Sky Procycling, 1:33:56.

NBA

PLAYOFFS
All Times Eastern

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7 series)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Chicago (1) vs. Miami (2)
(Miami leads series 2-1)
Sunday's result
Miami 96 Chicago 85
Tonight's game
Chicago at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday's game
Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 28
x-Chicago at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, May 30
x-Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Dallas (3) vs. Oklahoma City (4)
(Dallas leads series 3-1)
Last night's result
Dallas 112 Oklahoma City 105 (OT)
Tomorrow's game
Oklahoma City at Dallas, 9 p.m.
Friday's game
x-Dallas at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.
Sunday, May 29
x-Oklahoma City at Dallas, 9 p.m.
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LATE MONDAY

MAVS 112, THUNDER 105 (OT)
DALLAS (112)
Marion 1-5 5-6 7, Nowitzki 12-20 14-15 40, Chandler 2-4 1-1 5, Kidd 5-9 4-4 17, Stevenson 1-5 0-0 3, Terry 7-19 4-4 20, Stojakovic 2-7 0-0 4, Haywood 2-2 5-8 9, Barea 3-10 1-1 7. Totals 35-81 34-39 112.
OKLAHOMA CITY (105)
Durant 9-22 9-10 29, Ibaka 8-15 2-2 18, Perkins 3-5 0-1 6, Westbrook 7-22 5-8 19, Sefolosha 6-10 0-0 12, Harden 3-5 1-2 7, Collison 5-7 2-2 12, Maynor 1-4 0-0 2, Cook 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-90 19-25 105.

Dallas	22	32	23	24	11	112
Oklahoma City	31	28	22	20	4	105

3-Point Goals—Dallas 8-25 (Kidd 3-6, Nowitzki 2-3, Terry 2-6, Stevenson 1-4, Barea 0-3, Stojakovic 0-3), Oklahoma City 2-13 (Durant 2-7, Maynor 0-1, Sefolosha 0-2, Westbrook 0-3). Fouled Out—Harden, Collison. Rebounds—Dallas 43 (Chandler 8), Oklahoma City 62 (Durant 15). Assists—Dallas 16 (Kidd 7), Oklahoma City 23 (Westbrook 8). Total Fouls—Dallas 22, Oklahoma City 29. Technicals—Chandler, Dallas defensive three second, Oklahoma City defensive three second. Flagrant Fouls—Haywood. A—18,203 (18,203).

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Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Colorado at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Philadelphia at Toronto, 12:30 p.m.
New York at Vancouver, 5:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at New England, 8 p.m.
FC Dallas at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Kansas City at Colorado, 9 p.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	26	21	.553	—
Boston	26	22	.542	½
Tampa Bay	26	23	.531	1
Toronto	24	24	.500	2½
Baltimore	22	24	.478	3½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	30	16	.652	—
Detroit	25	23	.521	6
Kansas City	22	25	.468	8½
Chicago	22	27	.449	9½
Minnesota	16	31	.340	14½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	25	23	.521	—
Los Angeles	25	24	.510	½
Seattle	23	25	.479	2
Oakland	22	26	.458	3

Last night's results
Boston 4 Cleveland 2
Baltimore 5 Kansas City 3
Detroit 7 Tampa Bay 6
N.Y. Yankees 5 Toronto 4
Chicago White Sox at Texas
Minnesota 4 Seattle 2
Oakland at L.A. Angels
Today's games
Boston (Lester 6-1) at Cleveland (Talbot 1-0), 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Sonnanstine 0-1) at Detroit (Penny 4-4), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Jo-.Reyes 0-3) at N.Y. Yankees (F.Garcia 2-4), 1:05 p.m.
Seattle (Bedard 2-4) at Minnesota (Duensing 2-4), 1:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Floyd 5-3) at Texas (C.Wilson 4-3), 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Hochevar 3-4) at Baltimore (Arrieta 5-2), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Cahill 6-1) at L.A. Angels (E.Santana 2-4), 10:05 p.m.

YANKEES 5, BLUE JAYS 4

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	New York	ab	r	h	bi
YEscor ss	3	0	1	0	Jeter dh	5	0	0	0
CPttrsn lf	3	0	1	1	Grndrs cf	5	2	4	1
Bautist rf	4	0	0	0	Teixeir 1b	4	0	2	1
JRiver 1b	4	1	2	0	AlRdrg 3b	4	0	1	0
Arencii c	4	1	1	1	Cano 2b	4	1	2	1
A.Hill 2b	4	0	0	0	Martin c	4	1	2	2
Encrnc dh	4	1	1	0	Swisher rf	4	0	0	0
RDavis cf	4	1	2	1	Gardnr lf	2	0	0	0
JMcDnl 3b	3	0	0	1	ENunez ss	3	0	1	0
Posada ph	1	0	1	0					
Dickrsn pr	0	1	0	0					
Totals	**33**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**Totals**	**36**	**5**	**13**	**5**

Toronto	001	300	000	4
New York	010	000	022	5

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Cano (5). DP—Toronto 2, New York 1. LOB—Toronto 5, New York 8. 2B—J.Rivera (4), Granderson (5), Cano 2 (10), Posada (5). HR—Martin (9). SB—Granderson (6). CS—Granderson (2). S—Y.Escobar, Jo.McDonald.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
R.Romero	7	7	1	1	3	4
Janssen H,4	2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Rzepczynski H,7	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
F.Francisco L,1-2	2-3	3	2	2	0	0
New York						
Sabathia W,5-3	9	8	4	4	1	3

Umpires—Home, John Hirschbeck; First, Wally Bell; Second, Laz Diaz; Third, Scott Barry.
T—2:36. A—41,519 (50,291) at New York.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	29	19	.604	—
Florida	26	19	.578	1½
Atlanta	27	23	.540	3
New York	22	24	.478	6
Washington	21	26	.447	7½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	29	20	.592	—
Cincinnati	26	23	.531	3
Milwaukee	25	23	.521	3½
Pittsburgh	22	25	.468	6
Chicago	20	25	.444	7
Houston	18	30	.375	10½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	27	19	.587	—
Colorado	24	22	.522	3
Arizona	23	24	.489	4½
Los Angeles	21	28	.429	7½
San Diego	19	29	.396	9

Yesterday's results
Colorado 12 Arizona 4 (1st game)
Atlanta 2 Pittsburgh 0
Cincinnati 6 Philadelphia 3
L.A. Dodgers at Houston
N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs
Washington at Milwaukee
Arizona at Colorado (2nd game)
St. Louis at San Diego
Florida at San Francisco
Today's games
Atlanta (Minor 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Ja.McDonald 3-3), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (Marquis 5-1) at Milwaukee (Greinke 2-1), 1:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Lilly 3-4) at Houston (An.Rodriguez 0-2), 2:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Carpenter 1-4) at San Diego (Latos 1-6), 6:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (T.Wood 3-3) at Philadelphia (Halladay 6-3), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Gee 3-0) at Chicago Cubs (C.Coleman 2-3), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (I.Kennedy 5-1) at Colorado (Hammel 3-3), 8:40 p.m.
Florida (Volstad 2-3) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 1-6), 10:15 p.m.

MONDAYS RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Cleveland 3 Boston 2
Detroit 6 Tampa Bay 3
Toronto 7 N.Y. Yankees 3
Texas 4 Chicago White Sox 0
Seattle 8 Minnesota 7 (10 inn.)
L.A. Angels 4 Oakland 1

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia 10 Cincinnati 3
Houston 4 L.A. Dodgers 3
Milwaukee 11 Washington 3
St. Louis 3 San Diego 1

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2011 WORLD MEN'S INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP
At Prague, Czech Republic
Yesterday's results
Canada 28 England 5
Australia 12 Slovakia 7
Czech Republic 18 Ireland 5
End of Round Robin

TENNIS

FRENCH OPEN
At Paris
MEN
Singles
First Round
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. John Isner, U.S., 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-7 (2), 6-2, 6-4.
Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Eric Prodon, France, 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.
Robin Soderling (5), Sweden, def. Ryan Harrison, U.S., 6-1, 6-7 (5), 6-3, 7-5.
Jurgen Melzer (8), Austria, def. Andreas Beck, Germany, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.
Lukasz Kubot, Poland, def. Nicolas Almagro (11), Spain, 3-6, 2-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5), 6-4.
Fernando Verdasco (16), Spain, def. Juan Monaco, Argentina, 6-2, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4.
Gilles Simon (18), France, def. Michael Russell, U.S., 6-3, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.
Florian Mayer (20), Germany, def. Igor Kunitsyn, Russia, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Alexandr Dolgopolov (21), Ukraine, def. Rainer Schuettler, Germany, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1.
Sam Querrey (24), U.S., def. Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.
Kevin Anderson (32), South Africa, def. Nicolas Mahut, France, 6-4, 6-4, 6-7 (6), 6-3.
Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Somdev Devvarman, India, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.
Andreas Haider-Maurer, Austria, def. Ryan Sweeting, U.S., 6-1, 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-0.
Robin Haase, Netherlands, def. Daniel Gimeno-Traver, Spain, 6-2, 7-6 (3), 6-3.
Juan Ignacio Chela, Argentina, def. Tim Smyczek, U.S., 7-6 (5), 6-1, 6-1.
Arnaud Clement, France, def. Filippo Volandri, Italy, 6-3, 1-6, 7-6 (9), 6-4.
Pablo Andujar, Spain, def. Santiago Giraldo, Colombia, 7-6 (5), 6-3, 6-3.
Xavier Malisse, Belgium, def. Dmitry Tursunov, Russia, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.
Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.
Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, def. Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4, 3-6, 7-5.
Women
First Round
Kim Clijsters (2), Belgium, def. Anastasiya Yakimova, Belarus, 6-2, 6-3.
Victoria Azarenka (4), Belarus, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-3.
Li Na (6), China, def. Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-7 (6), 6-3.
Maria Sharapova (7), Russia, def. Mirjana Lucic, Croatia, 6-3, 6-0.
Andrea Petkovic (15), Germany, def. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, 6-4, 7-6 (3).
Johanna Larsson, Sweden, def. Ana Ivanovic (20), Serbia, 7-6 (3), 0-6, 6-2.
Yanina Wickmayer (21), Belgium, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, 6-0, 6-3.
Vania King, U.S., def. Dominika Cibulkova (22), Slovakia, 6-7 (10), 6-3, 6-2.
Jarmila Gajdosova (24), Australia, def. Virginie Razzano, France, 6-3, 6-1.
Alexandra Dulgheru (27), Romania, def. Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, 6-3, 6-4.
Caroline Garcia, France, def. Zuzana Ondraskova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-4.
Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, def. Corinna Dentoni, Italy, 7-5, 7-5.
Silvia Soler-Espinosa, Spain, def. Elena Vesnina, Russia, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Ayumi Morita, Japan, def. Kristina Mladenovic, France, 2-6, 6-4, 7-5.
Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, def. Romina Oprandi, Italy, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0.
Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, def. Anastasija Sevastova, Latvia, 6-3, 5-7, 6-1.
Arantxa Rus, Netherlands, def. Marina Erakovic, New Zealand, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.
Elena Baltacha, Britain, def. Sloane Stephens, U.S., 7-5, 6-2.
Sorana Cirstea, Romania, def. Patty Schnyder, Switzerland, 6-1, 6-3.
Pauline Parmentier, France, def. Ksenia Pervak, Russia, 7-6 (5), 6-4.

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Fuel-economy

The fuel-economy issue is crucial since all other Land Rover/Range Rover models are inherently thirsty beasts.

For example, the best that either the V8-powered Range Rover or its Range Rover Sport relation can muster is 17.3 l/100 km in the city and 11.2 on the highway. Although the Evoque's actual numbers have yet to be published, its 240-horsepower 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder, sourced from Ford, will be a relative gas miser.

Two sturdy styles

When ogling the attractive two- and four-door body styles, it's difficult to believe that the Evoque is the real deal when tackling the kind of off-road terrain that made its iconic ancestors so desirable.

With its short front and rear overhang and ample ground clearance, the odds of becoming hung up on uneven terrain or stuck in some muddy bog would seem remote.

Traction

Traction is supplied by a full-time all-wheel-drive system with an electronically controlled centre differential that varies torque between the front and rear wheels depending on where the grip is greatest.

The Evoque's underpinnings can be supplemented with an adjustable Adaptive Dynamics option that offers either a soft or firm (sporty) ride.

BASE PRICE: $50,000 (est.)

▶ Ford once owned Land Rover, but is it really out of the picture now that Tata controls things? There has been rampant speculation that the Evoque engine is actually the 2.0-litre Ford Ecoboost turbocharged four-cylinder. That would appear to be the case.

A Range Rover you can afford

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"Sleek" and "sporty" are terms that don't usually describe any Land Rover product, but the upcoming Range Rover Evoque constitutes a major change of course for Britain's storied off-road brand.

Its lack of formality and boxy practicality runs counter to a marque that cut its teeth tearing through the jungles of Botswana and Borneo, roaming the plains of the Serengeti and traversing the blistering Sahara sands.

But that's exactly the point.

Many of Land Rover's steeds spend their lives in urban settings and are rarely, if ever, tested anywhere near the limits of their considerable endurance.

Although the Evoque arrives this fall in multi-terrain-capable condition, high style at a good price is where this Range Rover really shines.

The Evoque appears more like a sport wagon derivative of a compact passenger car, especially in two-door livery.

It's slightly shorter than a Hyundai Tucson, Ford Escape, or Jeep Patriot and about 45 centimetres shorter than a Range Rover Sport.

As well, with its steeply raked windshield and tapered roofline, it can also lay claim to being one of the slinkiest, wind-cheating-est rigs around.

With a starting price in the $50,000 range, the Evoque should provoke fresh patrons to consider a Range Rover to carry them down a decidedly different path.

▶ Although it appears as though the shift lever has been broken off, there's actually a knob that takes care of things.

▶ A bird's eye view of the Evoque.

7.6

Land Rover claims that the Evoque will accelerate to 100 km/h from zero in 7.6 seconds, no doubt aided by some significant weight-reducing measures that include the use of plastic front fenders and rear liftgate, aluminum hood and roof panels plus various suspension components.

Evoque

What you should know about the 2012 Range Rover Evoque:

- **Types:** Two- /four-door all-wheel-drive compact sport utility vehicle.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (240).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed automatic.
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 11.5/8.5 (est.).

5 drive

By comparison

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Thinking about buying rims? It can be a complicated process, but read on as Metro expert Mike Goetz gives a lowdown on what to look for

Got rims?

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▶ With so many cool rim designs out there, narrowing your choice will be a definite challenge. Check out this rim smorgasbord at Megawheelz in Mississauga. It's only a portion of the 5,000 rims the firm stocks on any given day.

What's the most efficient way to both beatify your vehicle and upgrade its performance? Simple. Get out of the car and let someone else drive... someone who's better looking and a faster driver.

If that's not going to work for you, consider the second-best option — a new set of wheels and tires.

A well-chosen set of alloy rims fitted with aggressive tires looks awesome. And because they are lighter, stronger, and put more and stiffer rubber on the road than your stock pieces, your vehicle's handling dynamics will substantially improve as well. It's a no-brainer.

But before you jump in the pool, may we suggest these safety tips, gleamed from our conversation with Param Johl, owner and operator of Megawheelz in Mississauga, (megawheelz.com).

Megawheelz stocks over 5,000 wheels at any given time. The staff sees a lot of wheel consumers, from serious customizers, to those contemplating their first wheel upgrade.

When they see those in the latter group, staff often start the consultation process with a reality check. Johl notes that 20-inch and larger wheels are certainly in vogue and captivating, but that doesn't mean they should go on everything, particularly smaller cars.

"People see these large rims on the SUVs and trucks of their buddies and want them for their vehicles too ... but if they have a small car, we have to explain that it is just not going to work for them."

For one thing, a small car will need sheet metal and other modifications to accommodate 20-inchers. For another, huge rims necessitate extremely low profile tires, and that combination, while visually over-the-top, means the vehicle will ride hard — very hard — like you're riding on wheels of concrete.

So unless you're building a show car, or a hobby car for occasional preening around the 'hood, forget about "Dub" wheels. (Dub became the famous short form of "double dime," a cooler way of referring to tires that are 20 inches or larger.)

Concept One's new Executive wheel line is designed for luxury cars, and features a chrome stainless steel lip.

For a daily driver, Johl suggests "plus one" or "plus two" sizing. For a vehicle that comes stock with 15-inch wheels, that means upgrading to 16-inch or 17-inch wheel/tire sets. The rims are bigger and more beautiful, but by fitting them with tires with shorter sidewalls (called low-profile tires), the new tire is able to retain the same diameter as the original one.

This is crucial, because over-sized wheels/tires can cause problems with suspension travel, and various computer systems for braking, shifting and instrumentation.

There is a bewildering array of wheel designs out there. While the big brands, (American Racing, Foose, O.Z., etc.) continue to set the fashion pace, many smaller brands have entered the market, offering cheaper takes on hit designs and cool designs of their own.

Many websites have 3-D configurators, so you can visualize your ride with all the possibilities.

Johl noted that matte, anodized and painted finishes are currently popular. But he adds that the king of bling, chrome, continues to have its fans, even though the chroming process adds considerable weight to an alloy wheel.

A good quality alloy wheel set, with good quality rubber, from a reputable and professional wheel shop, will set you back about $1,100 to $1,200.

You can pay more of course, or less. Like your choice of design, it's all up to you.

Express yourself. Then roll slowly through the neighbourhood, with the window down and a face that says, "Don't hate us because we're beautiful."

'Two wheel-set'

- If you purchase a set of rims, whether for aesthetic or performance reasons, it creates the opportunity to enter the "two wheel-set" lifestyle — one for summer, and one for winter. Keep your original rims for snow tire use.
- This also allows you to have a more aggressive tire for your summer set-up. Just beware of pure performance tires, which are super-expensive, stiff, noisy, and don't last long.
- The new-generation of "touring" tires you see on luxury cars are a great compromise — great looks, ride, performance and durability.

The fight against distracted driving continues

Distracted drivers across Toronto were in tough this Victoria Day weekend.

Last Thursday, the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police kicked off the province-wide 2011 Drive Safe! R.I.D.E. campaign in the city by targeting motorists who were using handheld devices while driving.

The campaign, which is the product of a partnership between The Toronto Automobile Dealers Association (TADA) and Ontario's Police Chiefs, is intended to raise awareness about the dangers of using wireless devices while driving and other forms of distracted driving throughout the year.

"The Toronto Automobile Dealers Association stands shoulder-to-shoulder with Ontario's Police Chiefs to take a bite out of distracted driving," said Todd Bourgon, executive director of TADA.

"The 2011 Drive Safe! campaign is critically important to improve roadway safety and to remind drivers of their responsibility to others when operating a vehicle."

TADA is also supporting the production and distribution of the 2011 Drive Safe! Booklet, which can be downloaded from oacp.ca.

Police officers use the booklet during R.I.D.E. road safety events and other community outreach events across Ontario. It features a breakdown of the three types of distracted driving — visual, manual and cognitive — along with plenty of tips on how to adopt safer driving habits. METRO

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Changing brake fluid is more important than you think

Wheelbase's brake tests revealed some worthy information

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If a child jumped out onto the street in front of your moving vehicle, could you stop in time?

That depends on a number of factors, from how far away you are, to the speed you're driving and how quick you are to get on the pedal.

But there is something that has been overlooked: the brakes themselves. But brakes are brakes, right?

Wheelbase Media, in conjunction with Goodyear Tire, online tire/wheel store The Tire Rack and Italy-based Brembo Brakes, embarked on a set of tests (stopping distance from 96 km/h to zero) that went everywhere but in a straight line.

We'll save the nitty-gritty of all that testing for the series we're still working on, but there were several key findings that we believe can't wait since spreading the word could save lives.

So, after establishing a baseline stopping distance through repeated back-to-back stops until the distance became noticeably longer due to heat saturation of the brake parts, it was Brembo's suggestion to change the brake fluid and try again.

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▶ For safety reasons, changing your brake fluid is a worthy investment. Paying $15 in fluid plus labour won't kill your wallet.

Information on changing brake fluid is anecdotal at best, so we actually didn't expect any difference in our 11-year-old test truck, a 2000 Ford F150 Lightning SVT, especially since it was only ever summer driven and had just 48,000 kilometres on it.

The baseline testing — starting at square one with the factory brakes — began with a few stops in the 38-41-metre range. Once the brakes became heated, however, the distance dramatically increased to about 55 metres. This was after about eight back-to-back tests. The interval between stops was about 35-60 seconds, the time required to reset the distance computer for the next run and then get back up to speed.

Once the fluid was changed as per Brembo's suggestion, we were shocked to discover that although the initial braking distance was just slightly better than the baseline, that, even after 15 hard stops from 96 km/h, the braking distance had only climbed to about 46 metres. Where the baseline-run distance after eight stops was 55 metres, with the new fluid the truck was hauling itself down in 43.

Wow.

What we thought was merely the rotors and brake pads becoming overwhelmed with heat turned out to be the old brake fluid, which had lost its performance over time.

The moral? Changing brake fluid keeps your brakes operating in a more consistent and predictable manner. For $15 in fluid plus labour, it's worth it.

We relayed the information to three shops who all said the same thing: they knew — or perhaps were told or heard — there was a difference, but had no idea how big a difference changing the fluid could make.

Brembo engineers, who suggested the test, also found the data to be an eye opener. The company deals with high-performance and racing applications where every foot of stopping distance counts.

Can't forget about the brake pads

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Number 2 on our "wow" list turned out to be the brake pads themselves.

Out of necessity, we tested out a relatively cheap set of non-factory brake pads, and the results had us wondering why anyone would skimp on brake pads.

But even we skimped, thinking that brake pads are brake pads no matter how much they are and who makes them.

Not so.

"What gets me is when someone comes in and says they don't want to spend much because it's just for the wife and kids," said a rep from Raybestos, the makers of the pad we used. **WHEELBASE MEDIA**

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Top Gear

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1 Slot-car racing is becoming popular again, but they are a lot more exotic than the ones you might have had in your youth. A case in point are the layouts designed and built by Slot Mods: they're really more for kids at heart who can afford the very best. Company president Dave Beattie, specializes in building 1/32 scale replicas of actual racetracks from all over the world. Check out Beattie's website at slotmods.com

2 In case you were thinking that a "performance exhaust" is always about power and sound, you would be partly right. But off-roading presents an additional dimension of performance since you could end up hung up on a boulder or tree stump, crushing the exhaust system in the process. A new "dB" axle-back system from Corsa for the current Jeep Wrangler adds the usual muscular sound and freer breathing that the company is known for, but it's so tough that you can drive over it without ruining it. Visit dBexhaust.com

3 Do you know where your ball mount is at this very moment? Many people simply leave the hitch component in the back of the pickup truck or inside their sport ute's stowage compartment where it flops around, while others store it in the garage/basement/broom closet. The Receiver Caddy from Du Ha Inc. has been designed to securely hold up to two standard-size ball mounts. The Caddy attaches to an appropriate spot inside your vehicle. receivercaddy.com.

4 When using the Bolt Pattern Pro from Wheel Consultants, Inc., the first thing you'll notice is that the device is transparent and shaped like a boomerang for measuring around the centre hub and not over it, and that means you can measure the bolt pattern with the wheel still on the vehicle with the centre cap still on it. plussizingguide.com. **WHEELBASE**

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Cadillac's case of Jekyll & Hyde

Balanced between split personalities, the CTS-V Coupe is frightfully quick and comfortably relaxed

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▶ Nothing beats chrome accenting on a grille.

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At first, the excitement makes you tuck a grin discreetly behind your lips — but when approaching the 2011 Cadillac CTS-V Coupe for a drive, nervous pangs in the stomach are the more likely reaction.

Numbers flash across the brain as driver's finger the keyfob and zero in on their door handle. Eight cylinders, one supercharger, six gears and a colossal 556 horsepower. Acceleration from 0 to 100 km/h in four seconds or less. Shortly after, the likelihood of a ticket with numerous demerit points grows exponentially.

But while making yourself at home inside the CTS-V Coupe, it's almost easy to forget all of that.

CTS-V Coupe

What you should know about the Cadillac CTS-V Coupe:

- **Engine:** 6.2 litre V8, supercharged, 556 horsepower.
- **Drivetrain:** Rear Wheel Drive with Limited Slip Differential.
- **Transmission:** Tremec TR-6060 6-speed manual.
- **Features:** Brembo Brakes, Magnetic Ride Control, Sunroof, OnStar.
- **Starting Price:** $71,425.

The leather and wood-trimmed dashboard, suede seats and high-class materials all seem to say "classy cruiser" — not "holy hell, this thing is twisted-quick."

There's even chrome accenting to dress things up, and all of the well-minded, high-tech features you might expect. Hard drive audio storage, an intelligent key, heated and chilled seats and navigation are all on board.

OnStar, too. How oddly, inappropriately sensible.

There are a few clues inside that break the cabin's air of luxury and give a hint towards the CTS-V's "other" side, though. The chunky suede steering wheel is one. The hefty six-speed shifter is another. There's even a little boost gauge for the supercharger tucked away in the gauge cluster.

Get that gauge rotating clockwise, and the CTS-V charges ahead like it's about to go airborne.

Jam the throttle, and it feels like you've stomped one end of a pulley system that connects the front of the car with the horizon ahead. With the siren-like whine of the blower overlapping the thundering V8 snort, the CTS-V delivers a full-throttle rampage of acceleration in all-American high-definition surround.

Powerful brakes with decent feel and a sharp and eager steering back this up. You'll need a track to get anywhere close to this car's limits — but a very lenient traction control system helps do this safely. There's even a switch to dial up some additional suspension firmness when required.

When it's not, the CTS-V pulls off a modest cruising-around-town attitude. Though the clutch, shifter and steering are heavy enough to pull drivers into the experience, they're light enough to use without wearing oneself down during a day of errands. The engine pulls things along effortlessly in traffic, the ride is relatively calm, and the relaxing cabin can even be used to unwind when drivers stay out of the sauce.

It's all part of that delightful split personality that defines so many great performance cars.

Gripes? Sure — there are several.

Visibility is nasty, the ride can be harsh on some surfaces, and in the hands of a lead-footed driver, the CTS-V will burn up fuel more quickly than a refinery fire.

Given the tremendous power-per-dollar ratio at work, it can easily be forgiven.

It's a Cadillac, and a "V"— and as such, this slick new coupe should clearly tell the world of pricey performance coupes that America is up for a brawl.

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▶ The Cadillac CTS-V Coupe accelerates from 0 to 100 km/h in four seconds or less.

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Keeping just the right temperature

Focus Electric uses thermal management technology on batteries

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Batteries are a lot like people: they don't function as efficiently if they're too cold or too hot.

With an all-electric vehicle, keeping the battery at its optimum temperature helps to improve charging and increase the vehicle's range.

For its upcoming Focus Electric, scheduled to launch in Canada next year, Ford uses thermal management technology, a liquid heating and cooling system that works when the car's lithium-ion battery is plugged in and charging at a wall socket.

"Batteries like to stay around 20 to 30C," says Sherif Marakby, director of electrification programs and engineering for Ford.

"The performance of a cold battery is worse than a warm one."

Ford's system uses a mixture of water and antifreeze that circulates across the cells inside the battery pack.

It's sealed, so owners don't have to check it or top it up. It's also engineered for safety. The water flows through separate channels across the battery surface, and goes nowhere near the terminals or any electrical components.

Depending on the outside temperature, the system uses either a heating element to warm the fluid, or a heat exchanger to cool it, along with a pump to circulate it. Once the vehicle is plugged in to charge it, the system determines if the battery needs to be heated or cooled. If so, it then activates, getting its power strictly from the wall outlet.

Coming soon

- The Ford Focus Electric will be built in Michigan and is scheduled to go on sale in Canada in 2012.
- A portable 240-volt charger will be available, allowing it to be fully charged from depleted in just over three hours.

"It only happens while it's charging," Marakby says.

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Marakby says that liquid cooling is more effective for regulating lithium-ion battery temperatures than an air-cooling system on the larger, more complex battery packs used in electric cars.

The sealed battery retains the temperature for some time, he says, and will stay within its ideal range on the daily drive.

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What's the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 1998 to 2007 Ford Ranger/Mazda B-Series
- **Vehicle Type:** Pickup

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▶ Mazda B-Series

The Ford Ranger and Mazda B-Series pickups might be the longest-lived models on the Canadian market.

With a lifespan from 1998 to 2010, these small, cross-branded pickups lived from 1998 to 2010 with minimal changes.

Cheap, capable and reliable, they offered plenty of selection to shoppers after anything from a simple two-wheel drive work truck to a nicely loaded 4x4.

Low used prices and good overall reliability make these trucks worthy contenders for your used pickup dollars.

Selection is tremendous. Depending on the year and model selected, used shoppers can look for numerous engine, transmission, drivetrain and body configurations.

Also depending on the year and model in question, feature content included such goodies as tire pressure monitoring, tip-up rear seats, ABS brakes, fog lamps, chrome accents and power accessories.

Engine options included a 2.5-litre four-cylinder with 120 horsepower, and both three and four-litre V6 units with 150 or 160 horsepower, respectively. From 2001 and on, a new four-litre V6 engine ramped output up to 200 horsepower.

What Owners Like

Owners seem most satisfied with the styling, comfort, interior space, legroom, off-road capability and overall value of their trucks.

Depending on the model in question, ride quality is also highly rated, and depending on the equipped engine, some owners even report good fuel mileage. Confident trailer towing and 4x4 operation round out the package.

What Owners Dislike

Common complaints include small rear seats, subpar power output with the smaller engines, a bouncy ride (depending on the model), excessive fuel consumption with the larger engines, and a big turning circle.

"Clumsy" rear doors and limited headroom for taller drivers and passengers round out the list of common complaints.

Common Issues

Check your potential used Ranger or B-Series for rust at the rear cab corners, lower portions of the doors, driver's floor board, around the wheelwells, on the bottom of the tailgate, and on the corners of the roof.

Owner's forums also suggest checking for cracks or leaks from the differentials and transfer case.

Ensure the transfer case switches between its various drive modes as outlined in the owner's manual, and note that any unwelcomed vibrations or sounds from beneath the vehicle could be the result of a worn out or damaged suspension component or driveshaft.

Finally, note the quality of the gear shift between second and third on models with the automatic transmission. If the transmission feels like its slipping or "flaring" during said shift, there's likely a problem with a gearshift solenoid in the transmission.

The Verdict

Search for as new a used model as possible, and note that a Ford or Mazda mechanic will be familiar with how to search for any potential issues.

The low price of a used Ranger or B-Series, as well as its overall value and looks will be its biggest draw.

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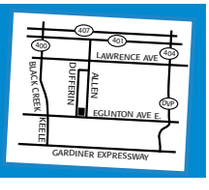

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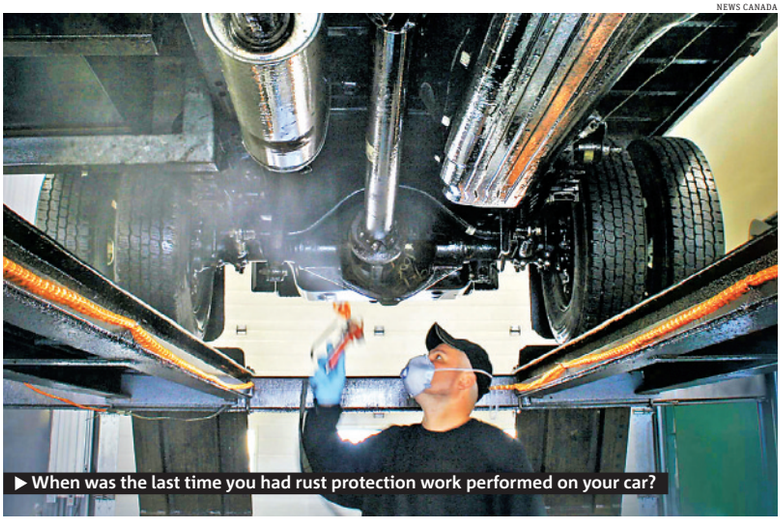

▶ When was the last time you had rust protection work performed on your car?

‘Corrosion should not be taken lightly’

Rust can appear on cars that are just a few years old

Most of us believe our vehicles are safe. But have you taken a peek underneath your car lately?

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If left unchecked, rust can spread and also harm the mechanical parts that are essential to the safe running of the vehicle such as the gas tank, electrical connections and brake lines.

“Corrosion should not be taken lightly as it directly affects the overall safety of your vehicle,” explained Freeman Young, president of Krown Rust Control.

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An annual rust control treatment for an average vehicle costs about $110 before tax and does not void your manufacturer’s warranty.

“As soon as your car starts getting rusty, the overall integrity of the vehicle is compromised. Treating your vehicle with a rust control product every year actually helps your vehicle’s frame maintain its strength and protects the moving parts. The fact is rust protection equals safety.”

The CAA agrees that the best way to protect your vehicle is with yearly applications of an oil-based rust inhibitor.

“We recommend that an application of an oil-based rust protector, such as Krown, should be applied every year for maximum protection,” said Paul Datzkiw, consumer and technical services with CAA South Central Ontario.

Rust inhibitors also act as lubricants and will protect the internal parts of your car, such as wiring, which is often prone to oxidation and electric shorts.

While protecting yourself and your loved ones should be your main concern, there are also products available that have a lower environmental impact.

For example, Krown’s rust protection does not contain any solvents, VOCs or toxins. In fact, Krown is the only rust control company recommended by CAA South Central Ontario.

Another advantage of rust control, Young added, is that you’ll save money in the long run.

You’ll have lower maintenance and repair costs because moving parts such as door locks and window winders, along with dozens of other components, will be protected and last longer. And a rust protected vehicle has a higher resale or trade-in value.

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Top myths about rust protection exposed

Here are the most common myths consumers have when it comes to vehicle rust protection and the actual facts revealed by a rust control expert.

Myth: Fall is the best time to apply rust protection.

Fact: There's no bad time, but ideally it should be done during the warmer months as the milder temperatures allow the products to better penetrate the treated areas.

Myth: Road salt is the number one cause of corrosion for vehicles.

Fact: Moisture on metal, not salt, is the number one cause of corrosion, according to Freeman Young, president of Krown Rust Control.

"Salt is the accelerant, but it is moisture that does the most damage. For this reason, the products used to inhibit the rust must have the ability to remove moisture from the metal and not allow it back."

Myth: Winter is the harshest season for corrosion.

Fact: "Actually, winter is not the harshest season for corrosion. Spring is worse because once the temperatures begin to rise and the metal warms up, all of the "salty" residue in seams, crevices and hidden areas of your vehicle, really goes to work," explained Young.

Myth: My manufacturer's warranty will be voided if I apply rust protection to my car.

Fact: Young clarified that protecting your car with Krown rust inhibitor will not void your manufacturer's warranty.

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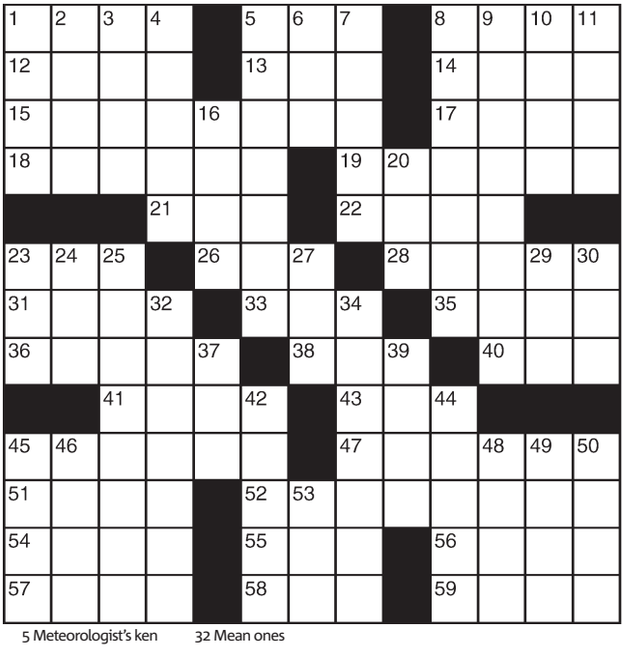

Across

1 Phony coin
5 Bankroll
8 "Scrabble" piece
12 Sound of contentment
13 Ostrich's cousin
14 Elevator name
15 "No kidding!"
17 Works with
18 Kitchen whistler
19 Wine vessel
21 "Whadja say?"
22 Female red deer
23 Mueller's org.
26 Scarlet
28 Coral structures
31 Reply to "Shall we?"
33 Massage
35 Harvard rival
36 Retract one's words
38 Shade provider
40 Sodium hydroxide
41 Commotions
43 Galley tool
45 Lectern
47 Blurry spot
51 Historic times
52 "Don't go in there!"
54 Riga resident
55 Excessively
56 Kachina worshipper
57 Adversaries
58 Height of fashion?
59 Detail, for short

Down

1 Skewer
2 Mandolin kin
3 — Major
4 Boardroom illustration
5 Meteorologist's ken
6 Film buff's cable choice
7 Netherlanders
8 Series of contests
9 "Agreed"
10 Willingly, old-style
11 Being, to Brutus
16 Tea time
20 Melody
23 Winter ailment
24 Stiller or Affleck
25 "Meet you then"
27 Payable
29 Aviate
30 Witness
32 Mean ones
34 Open up, as a bud
37 Thee
39 One of the Three Bears
42 Surname meaning "maker"
44 Gordon and Westheimer
45 Money
46 Sandwich cookie
48 Let gravity take over
49 Stare stupidly
50 Grand story
53 Pirouette pivot

▶ Yesterday's answer

R	A	M			S	E	A		E	D	A	M		
I	D	E	A		O	D	D		U	N	D	O		
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Sudoku

8		3		2	9			7
	7		6					3
	2		1				4	
9							5	
		4	9		3	8		
	5							1
	4				2		8	
7					6		3	
6			3	1		7		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

6	2	7	9	3	8	4	1	5
1	5	3	6	4	7	9	2	8
4	8	9	5	2	1	7	6	3
2	6	4	1	7	5	3	8	9
9	3	5	2	8	6	1	7	4
7	1	8	4	9	3	2	5	6
5	7	6	3	1	4	8	9	2
8	4	2	7	6	9	5	3	1
3	9	1	8	5	2	6	4	7

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LOVE, YOU WIFE BABYDOLL TINA XOXOXOXOX

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You want good times to last but you know they won't — nothing does.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Always remember there is a good side to everything, if you know how to look at it.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 A loved one is worried about your methods. Ask yourself if there is a better way to reach your goal.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 There's no point in arguing with an employer today. They will refuse to see things your way.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You are bold enough to carve your own path through life: You don't need favours from powerful people.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You want to reprimand someone who has let you down, but you'll make a better impression if you forgive.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If you want time and space for yourself, others will totally understand.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Like it or not, the only thing you can change is yourself. That's your sole responsibility. Improve yourself.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You may feel hard done if you have to postpone a task you were looking forward to. Don't get negative.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 . You don't have to force others to follow your lead. Try persuasion.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will shy away from a commitment that you know just isn't your kind of thing. Be true to yourself.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. It may seem as if your hopes have been dashed but it's not true. Be patient. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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Sorento EX-V6 Luxury shown

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CITY: 10.6L/100KM (27 MPG)

Rondo EX-V6 Luxury shown

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0% FINANCING APR FOR UP TO 60 MONTHS**

PLUS

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CITY: 10.6L/100KM (27 MPG)

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